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Israeli freed from Mozambique jail in three-way prisoner swap

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HAIFA. — "He's still injured and needs treatment — but he's alive," Mrs. Dina Marcus, mother of Myron Marcus, the Israeli who was released from a Mozambique prison on Sunday, said joyfully yesterday.

"We talked to him on the phone," she stated, pointing out that the Sunday evening telephone call from the airport in Johannesburg was the first definite sign of life from Marcus since his Cessna plane made a forced landing in Mozambique on September 4, 1976.

The release of the 24-year-old Marcus was the initial step in a three-man prisoner exchange involving four nations. Others involved in the international deal include Robert Thompson, held in an American jail for 12 years for spying for East Germany, and American student Alan van Norman, held in East Berlin for trying to help a doctor and his family flee East Germany.

The prisoner swap was arranged by New York Congressman Ben Gilman and East German lawyer Wolfgang Vogel, a key figure in previous East-West prisoner exchanges, the most famous being that of American U-2 pilot Gary Powers for Soviet agent Rudolf Abel. The Marcus family established contact with Vogel through Knesset Member Samuel Flatto-Sharon.

Gilman, an American rabbi, Ronald Greenwald, and Marcus' 25-year-old wife Marilyn, were waiting Sunday afternoon when the Israeli walked across the border from Mozambique into Swaziland.

Marcus, who had spent 18 months in jail in Maputo, the Mozambique capital, was jailed after the light plane he was piloting from Rhodesia to South Africa had been forced to land because of a storm and had then been fired on by Mozambique forces.

Marcus' flying companion, brother-in-law Jack Bloch, was killed and Marcus was wounded, hit by four bullets. In his phone call to Haifa, Marcus said that his arm was still not functioning as a result of his injuries, which had not been properly treated in prison.

Marcus told his parents that he had lost hope of ever getting out of prison, and that his release came as a complete surprise. Mozambique jailed him without trial after alleging that the two men were on a spy mission.

After being released, Marcus said: "I just can't believe this is real. I didn't know until this afternoon, when they fetched me at Machava prison, that I was being freed." He added that "thinking of my wife and baby kept me going."

Marcus also said that once he had recovered from his wounds, he was put into solitary confinement. He said he was kept in a dirty, airless 2 by 3.5 metre cell for three months, that he escaped from that cell but was recaptured and transferred to the maximum security wing of Machava prison in Maputo.

Speaking to newsmen yesterday on his return to Cape Town, where he lives with his wife and baby, Marcus called the shooting by the Mozambique soldiers "an unprovoked attack."

The Marcus family of five immigrated to Israel from the USSR in 1971. *The Jerusalem Post* was told yesterday at the family's third-floor Kiryat Yam flat. Myron Marcus, the second of the three children, completed his technician studies in Beersheba, and before joining the army went to Rhodesia to visit relatives in 1974. In March 1975, he married Marilyn Sussman, daughter of a Jewish industrialist in Bulawayo, and went to work in his radio factory. Marcus learned to fly a light plane given to him as a gift by his father-in-law, and frequently flew it on company business.

Since the fatal 1976 flight the parents here assumed that their son was dead, but gradually their hopes were revived by African newspaper reports. Then a European man, who had been imprisoned with Marcus for four months, informed them several months ago that their son was alive.

Since that time, the parents "contacted everybody we could think of" to secure his release, but they were told that nothing could be done by the Americans and the Israeli government who had no contact with Mozambique. "The Red Cross didn't help either," Mrs. Marcus stated.

They finally learned that Flatto had contacts with Vogel and they approached the Knesset Member. "Flatto-Sharon said he would help to free a Jew and an Israeli, and thanks to him we established contact with Vogel," they told *The Post*. They offered to ransom their son (the Rhodesian family was prepared to put up any amount), "but Vogel made it clear that money was

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Negotiators at the door — not Elijah

By JOE KUTTNER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

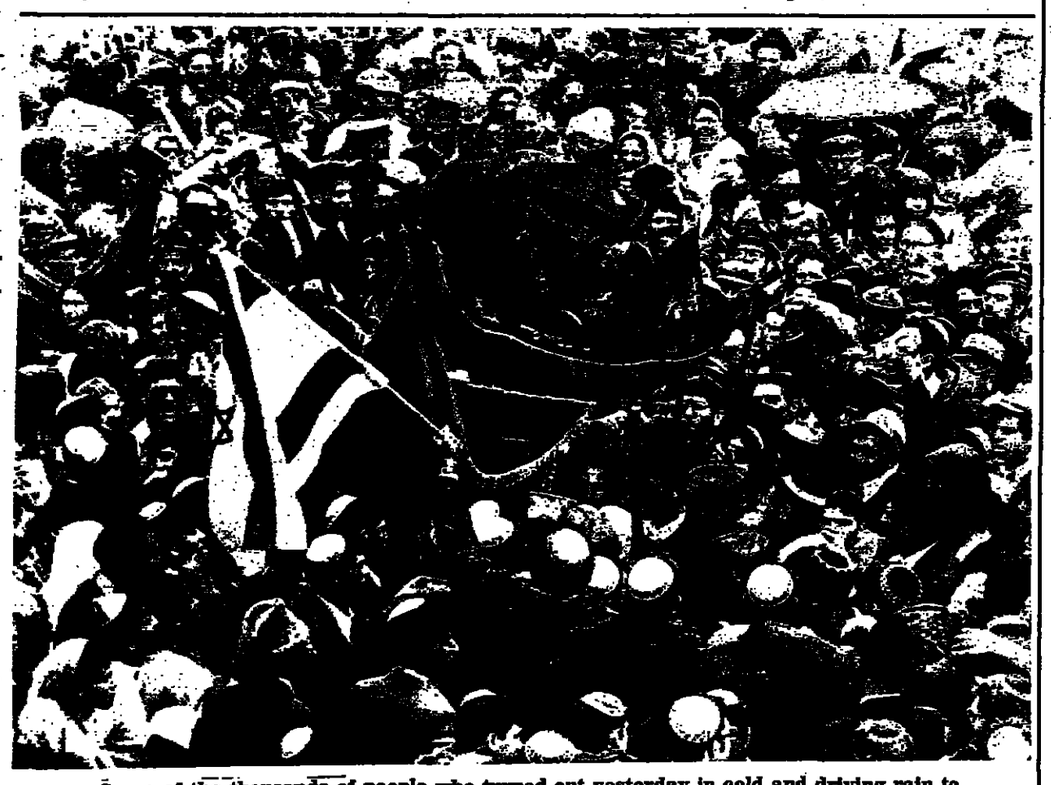
JOHANNESBURG. — The prayers of an Orthodox Jewish congregation in Johannesburg played a part in the drama preceding the release by Mozambique of Israeli Myron Marcus on Sunday.

The congregation's rabbi, Rabbi A.H. Tanzer, had been about to open his door for Elijah during Friday evening's Pessah seder when there was a knock on the door. Standing there were Rabbi Ronald Greenwald of New York, with whom he had studied at the Telze Yeshiva, and U.S. Congressman Ben Gilman.

They had arrived in Johannesburg from the border between Swaziland and Mozambique where they had been concluding negotiations for Marcus' release.

The two men joined Rabbi Tanzer for the remainder of the seder. On Saturday they went to his synagogue — adjoining the yeshiva college which he heads — and asked the congregation to pray for the success of their mission.

The two men returned to the border early Sunday morning, still uncertain about the outcome of the negotiations. It was only at 5 p.m. on Sunday that Marcus was seen approaching the border — proof that their negotiations had succeeded.



Some of the thousands of people who turned out yesterday in cold and driving rain to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the founding of Kiryat Arba. (Rahamim Israeli)

Begin: A firm 'no' to perilous demands

KIRYAT ARBA (Itim). — Thousands of guests gathered here in cold and pouring rain yesterday to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the founding of this Jewish settlement near Hebron. Among the guests were Prime Minister Menahem Begin, most of the government's ministers, MKs, Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren and the aged Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kook, the spiritual mentor of Gush Emunim.

In a brief address, Begin declared: "Today we stand in a fateful campaign for the future of our people, our security and our peace, with massive forces arrayed against us. We are called upon to do things likely to endanger our existence and future, but to these demands we will respond with one small, quiet, great word — no!" This was greeted with cheers and applause from the crowd.

The prime minister went on, "It is from you we draw love and faith and I have come here not only to greet you but also to thank you." He promised the settlers that they were only the beginning of the town's development and that in the future "all the law will be heard on high from Hebron." There are 335 families in Kiryat Arba today.

Several speakers called upon the government to devote the maximum mental and financial effort to the future development of the suburb. Mordechai Surkis, who influenced the Alignment government to establish Kiryat Arba in 1967, pointed out that "only this area can defend Jerusalem."

MK Moshe Shamir said that Kiryat Arba symbolized the victory over weakness, over governments that had erected obstacles in the past and called upon the Jewish people not to fear political confrontations.

"If anyone abroad offers us advice we'll tell him 'we are loyal to our land, and if need be we'll stand up to the world's great powers, friends or not'."

The coordinator of Kiryat Arba, Rabbi Moshe Levinger, spoke in a similar vein. "We returned to Eretz Yisrael not by virtue of Resolution 242, but by virtue of the three patriarchs of the Jewish nation." He called upon the government to create large Jewish towns at once in Hebron, Nablus and Jericho.

Before the assembly dispersed, four Tora scrolls, one of which escaped destruction by Hebron rioters in the pogrom of 1929, were taken into the synagogue in the Cave of Machpela. (See picture page two). Prayers for the peace of Eretz Yisrael were said by Chief Rabbi Goren and Minister of Religious Affairs Aharon Abuhatzeira.

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Girls taking part in the Spring Race in Tel Aviv's Rehov Ibn Gvirol try for a can-can effect on roller skates. (Gottreund, IPPA)

Beirut says big withdrawal of Israeli troops on Sunday

Jerusalem Post Staff

Lebanon's outgoing foreign and defence minister said yesterday that Israel will relinquish 580 sq. kms. in South Lebanon in a major pullback on Sunday.

Fuad Butros made this announcement following talks with Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, commander of UN forces in the Middle East, who was reported to have briefed Beirut officials on the second phase of Israel's withdrawal. The first phase was carried out earlier this month.

Butros said that Israel would retain control of about 400 sq. kms., presumably pending completion of the deployment of the 4,000-strong UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) and the establishment of the area as off-limits to Palestinian terrorists. Israel took over South Lebanon last month in an anti-terrorist campaign.

The Lebanese left yesterday rejected a Christian-Moslem accord that calls for the disarming of all private militias and terrorists and was billed as the first step toward national reconciliation since the civil war.

Opposition from Moslem leftists, allied with the Palestinians here, threatened to undermine a six-point blueprint for a new government worked out by 18 leading members of the conservative Moslem and Christian blocs in parliament.

"We are opposed to the plan and have reason to believe that the majority (of parliamentarians who signed the accord) are against any positive solution to the Palestinian situation," said Walid Jumblatt, overall leader of the leftist front.

"We want Israeli withdrawal given top priority and then we can talk about other matters," Jumblatt said.

A mine explosion killed a French UN soldier trying to take cover when his patrol was fired on by Palestinian forces in South Lebanon, a French UN military spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman, Capt. Jean Menegaux, said the incident occurred on Sunday night at UN outpost number 13, located about five kms. east of the southern port of Tyre between Israeli and Palestinian lines.

The Frenchman was the second UN soldier to die since the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) entered the south a month ago and the first combat-related death.

Menegaux said clashes developed between terrorist and Israeli forces and French troops also came under fire from the Palestinians. The UN soldiers returned the fire, he said.

About six men under attack at an outlying UN position attempted to fall back on foot some 200 metres through an orange grove to a larger UN post.

Terrorists reportedly shot at the group with rocket-propelled grenades.

The soldiers dived for cover and a corporal was killed when he landed face-first on a small mine that triggers a warning flare, Menegaux said.

After a brief ceremony yesterday led by a French army chaplain, the body of the soldier was flown to Tel Aviv. Identification was withheld pending notification of next-of-kin.

Numeiry to visit Cairo and Damascus in another bid to bridge differences

Jerusalem Post Staff

Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiry will soon go to Cairo and Damascus in an attempt to heal the breach between Egypt and Syria over the Middle East peace process, reports from Khartoum said yesterday.

Numeiry's trip, which may also include several other Arab capitals, will be in accordance with a decision adopted by a six-nation Arab solidarity committee which ended a two-day conference in the Sudanese capital on Sunday night. The committee is comprised of Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and North Yemen, in addition to Sudan.

Numeiry was said to have been provided with guidelines, one of which is to try to restore the severed diplomatic relations between Egypt on the one hand and Syria, Algeria, Libya, Iraq and South Yemen on the other.

In Amman, King Hussein yesterday called for a unified Arab strategy to restore lands seized by Israel in the 1967 war and recover the rights of the Palestinians.

"We humbly and sincerely call on the Arab nations to draw up a comprehensive strategy which will govern our common action, mobilize our enormous resources and bypass our transient differences to be able to face the escalating imminent danger posed by Israel," said Hussein.

Hussein was speaking at the inauguration of Jordan's new 60-man National Consultative Council which was set up as a transitional parliament. Jordan has held no national elections since losing the West Bank to Israel in 1967.

Moro begs government to negotiate

ROME. — Former Premier Aldo Moro yesterday pleaded with the Italian government to agree quickly to negotiate his release, saying it was now "a question of seconds more than minutes."

The text of the seven-page handwritten letter from the 61-year-old statesman was released shortly after his terrorist kidnappers revealed for the first time their exact terms for his release, and threatened to kill him unless the government agreed.

The letter was found by the Rome evening newspaper "Vita Sera" after a telephone call. It came hours after the Red Brigades named 13 terrorists they want the government to release. They have held Moro for 40 days after seizing him off a Rome street and killing his five police guards.

The letter and new demands came after the government on Saturday allowed a death ultimatum by Moro's captors to pass without answer. No new deadline was set.

"Vita Sera" officials said the letter was an original.

After alternately pleading that the Christian Democrats act to save him and upbraiding them for not doing so until now, Moro said: "Do not think that the Christian Democrats will overcome the problem by liquidating Moro. I repeat that I do not accept the iniquitous and ungrateful sentence of the party. I repeat that I absolve and justify nobody."

He added: "For this reason, for obvious incompatibility, I ask that my funeral be attended neither by state officials nor by men of the party. I want to be accompanied by the few who really wished me well and are therefore worthy of following me with their prayers and love."

BULLETIN

The Italian government last night firmly rejected demands from the Red Brigades and appeals from Aldo Moro himself for a prisoner exchange that would free the former premier from his 41-day captivity.

After a meeting of top ministers, the government issued a statement saying such an exchange would be unacceptable.

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Carter, Begin to negotiate only if Dayan talks succeed

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter has invited Prime Minister Menahem Begin to the White House on May 1 to participate in a gala reception celebrating Israel's 30th anniversary, the White House announced yesterday.

Jody Powell, the president's spokesman, said, however, that no decision has yet been made as to whether Begin and Carter will also hold separate discussions on the search for peace in the Middle East.

While other officials here conceded that such discussions are likely, they indicated that the decision on the nature of the Begin-Carter talks hinges to a large degree on the outcome of Foreign Minister Dayan's two days of meetings with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance this week.

The officials suggested that Begin and Carter will hold substantive talks if Dayan and Vance make progress towards an Israeli-Egyptian declaration of principles governing the negotiations.

Once again, American officials said yesterday that they would like to see Dayan arrive here ready to accept in principle the concept of eventual Israeli withdrawal "on all fronts."

While Carter was reportedly reluctant to see Begin once again — they met only last month here — the president decided that a refusal to see the prime minister would be interpreted as a major snub. Coming at a time when relations between Washington and Jerusalem are already strained, such a snub would further harm relations.

The White House reception, moreover, is seen by political observers here as representing an effort by the administration to placate Israel supporters here. The reception will come in the midst of a major battle between Congress and the administration over the proposed package sale of advanced aircraft to Israel, Egypt and Saudi Arabia — a package opposed by friends of Israel. (White House — p.2)

Clearly, the president will be anxious to demonstrate at the reception that America's support for Israel during his administration has not slipped.

Asher Wallfish adds:

Foreign Minister Dayan leaves for Washington today.

After meeting with Vance tomorrow and Thursday, Dayan will stay over in New York till Premier Menahem Begin arrives there. He will brief the Prime Minister on issues which might come up when

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Cairo media mum on self-determination

Post Middle East Affairs Editor

Cairo's news media yesterday made no reference to Egypt's long-time demand for Palestinian self-determination, in its coverage of President Anwar Sadat's talks on Sunday with U.S. ambassador-at-large Alfred Atherton.

The radio and newspapers, however, did not indicate that Sadat had dropped this demand — which Israel firmly opposes.

But they spoke instead of Sadat's emphasis on the need for Israel's acknowledgement of "the rights of the Palestinians" without elaborating.

The Egyptian news media were equally vague on the issue of withdrawal. Cairo's state radio merely reported the Egyptian insistence on Israel's "withdrawal," rather than "total withdrawal," from territories seized by Israel in the 1967 war.

The new Egyptian phraseology was seen by observers as designed to suit the American terminology with regard to a Middle East settlement — and not necessarily a drastic change of position.

Instead of dramatizing the Palestinian self-determination controversy, Sadat recently has been emphasizing his demand for Israel's eventual pullback on all fronts, with minor rectifications on the 1967 borders in the West Bank and Gaza.

The Americans have been pressing Egypt and Israel to address themselves to three basic issues "if a lasting settlement is to be achieved." These are: true peace based on normal relations among the parties; withdrawal by Israel on all fronts leading to agreement by all parties on secure and recognized borders in accordance with UN resolutions 242 and 338; and a just resolution of the Palestinian problem in all its aspects.

"The resolution must recognize the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and enable the Palestinians to participate in the determination of their own future," U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said last week on outlining these concepts.

Vance is due to begin two days of talks tomorrow with Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan on bridging gaps between Egypt and Israel over a declaration of peace principles.

Atherton will leave Cairo for Washington today for the Dayan talks. The American envoy is carrying a message from Sadat to President Jimmy Carter.

Sadat has offered to send Foreign Minister Mohammed Ibrahim Kamel to Washington to take part in the formulation of new peace proposals, which U.S. officials have hinted may be forwarded by the Carter Administration.

Foreign newsmen in Cairo yesterday said that the chances of reviving the direct peace negotiations between Egypt and Israel appear remote as long as Cairo holds out for a prior change in Israel's position regarding withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza. Israel has offered self-rule for these territories but says it will not agree to transferring them to foreign rule.

Shatta prisoners cut selves in amnesty decision protest

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

More than 70 inmates of the Shatta prison near Beit Shean slashed themselves yesterday to protest the government's decision against a general amnesty to mark the 30th anniversary of the State.

Early yesterday morning, prison guards heard cries for help and on entering the cells discovered that the prisoners had lacerated their arms, legs and stomachs with razor blades and other instruments.

Prison authorities who apparently had advance knowledge of a protest action called in the special unit for suppressing prison riots and were also aided by an army medical unit.

"Only six out of the 70 prisoners needed stitches," Deputy Commissioner of Prisons Zvi Givati told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

He added that the prisoners were all Jewish and all serving medium to long sentences.

He did not explain why no action had been taken to prevent the incident in the light of the advance intelligence.

Givati said that a recent series of disturbances in prisons all over the country indicated some form of outside political organization. A three-day hunger strike and a refusal to participate in the *seder* on Friday night preceded yesterday's incident.

MK Charlie Biton (Democratic Front for Peace and Equality) confirmed to *The Post* that he was the "outside political influence."

Responding to the news of the disturbances in the Shatta prison, Biton charged the prison authorities with frustrating his work as an MK by not allowing him to visit prisons.

Biton said that the Prison Commissioner had invoked a regulation which prevents former prison inmates from visiting the jails. (Biton was once an inmate of the Tel Mond juvenile reformatory.) He said that if necessary he would use force to enter the prisons.

Givati said that the regulation had not been used against Biton. Knesset members who wished to visit the prisons (and not a particular prisoner) arranged their visits with the Interior Minister, Givati said, and Biton was free to do this.

Referring to the amnesty committees appointed by Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir earlier this month, Biton said that they would release only white collar and petty offenders. The committees would cooperate with the police's attempts to make deals with the other prisoners, promising early release in exchange for information, he said.

In a related development, families of prison inmates started a hunger strike next to the Western Wall in Jerusalem yesterday, also to protest against the decision not to grant a general amnesty.

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J'lem bus attacked

Two Molotov cocktails which did not explode were thrown yesterday at a bus driving through the village of Jaber Mukhaber near Jerusalem's East Talpiot quarter.

The driver continued on his way and later notified the police. Security forces were sent to the area but made no arrests.

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CHICAGO	7	45	16	61	Rain
COPENHAGEN	6	43	16	61	Rain
FRANKFURT	5	41	17	63	Clear
GENEVA	7	45	14	57	Sunny
HELSINKI	-1	30	2	36	Snow
HONG KONG	22	72	24	75	Cloudy
JOHANNESBURG	6	43	20	68	Sunny
LISBON	11	52	18	64	Clear
LONDON	7	45	15	59	Sunny
MADRID	5	41	18	64	Sunny
MONTREAL	-3	27	12	54	Cloudy
NEW YORK	5	41	20	68	Clear
OSLO	2	36	12	54	Cloudy
PARIS	7	45	18	64	Sunny
RIO DE JANEIRO	17	63	28	82	Rain
SAO PAULO	16	61	23	73	Cloudy
STOCKHOLM	6	43	15	59	Cloudy
TOKYO	15	59	20	68	Cloudy
TORONTO	-4	25	11	52	Clear
VANCOUVER	5	41	12	54	Cloudy
VIENNA	8	46	17	63	Sunny
ZURICH	10	50	18	64	Sunny

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Showers in the morning, partly cloudy later in the day.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	75	9—13	16
Golan	91	8—12	14
Nahariya	64	12—18	20
Safad	75	6—9	12
Haifa Port	68	13—19	21
Tiberias	57	15—21	23
Nazareth	67	11—15	17
Afula	53	8—19	21
Shomron	68	10—13	17
Tel Aviv	52	15—20	21
B-G Airport	58	13—20	22
Jericho	46	18—25	27
Gaza	62	15—20	21
Beersheba	—	13—	21
Eilat	14	19—28	29
Tiran Straits	18	20—30	30

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Minister of Transport Meir Amit yesterday received the Australian ambassador, Walter Handmer.

The international board of trustees of the Ramot Shapira World Academy yesterday approved a $1.5m. development budget to build dormitory and educational facilities totalling 2,300 square metres. The meeting was presided over by Ramot Shapira chairman Dr. H. Jerome Sisselman. Participants from abroad included Morris Green and Shelly Goren of the U.S.; Asher Fishman and A. Krausz; England; A. Heyden, Belgium; L. Pugatsch, Switzerland and J. Freedman, Canada.

In Memoriam

A memorial site to commemorate the members of the I.Z.L. who fell in the battle for the liberation of Jaffa in April 1948 is to be created in the southern part of the Charles Clore garden on the Tel Aviv seafront. The site will be named after the late Amihai Paglin. The dedication ceremony will take place tomorrow (Wednesday), at 5 p.m. with the participation of Prime Minister Menahem Begin, Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat, MK Eitan Livni, chairman of the I.Z.L. veterans association, veterans of the battle and bereaved families. The public is welcome.

20 kilos of smuggled gold jewelry found

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Customs inspectors found 20 kilos of allegedly smuggled gold jewelry while searching a Lod apartment.

Acting on a tip, the inspectors said they found the jewelry in a concealed wall safe and arrested a father and son, both of whom allegedly resisted the search. Customs investigators said more arrests and searches are expected.

Official accused of taking bribe

The former supervisor of fruit and vegetable marketing in Israel was accused recently in the Jerusalem District Court of taking a bribe from a West Bank merchant.

The prosecution says that while Hillel Hillel, 42, from Moshav Kidron near Gedera, was in charge of fruit and vegetable marketing, he tried to sell coffee and hides from Brazil in the West Bank. The charge sheet claims that he fraudulently obtained a marketing licence for a West Bank merchant who wished to sell hides in Israel after the merchant agreed to buy Hillel's merchandise.

White House won't bend on planes package-deal

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The White House yesterday said that President Carter will not consider any compromise proposal with Congress on the administration's proposed all-or-nothing aircraft package sale to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Israel that would change the number of planes involved.

Spokesman Jody Powell told reporters that the president still plans to submit to Congress the formal letters of offer for the controversial sale tomorrow. Under law, Congress will then have 30 days to block the entire package or any element of it by approving resolutions of disapproval in both the House and Senate.

Senate majority leader Robert Byrd (D-.W.Va.) has proposed a delay to give the administration and Congress more time to reach a compromise agreement.

Byrd and other congressional leaders would like to avoid an all-out battle between the administration and the Congress on the $4.8b. package sale, which includes 60 F-15s for Saudi Arabia, 50 F-5Es for Egypt and 90 F-15s and F-16s for Israel.

Powell warned again yesterday in strong terms that the president would withdraw the entire package, including the aircraft slated for Israel, if Congress blocked either the Egyptian or the Saudi portion of the package. The most opposition in Congress centres around the F-15s for Saudi Arabia, since that aircraft is the most advanced fighter bomber in the U.S. air force.

Some leading legislators, including Senator Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.), have suggested a compromise that would increase the number of planes for Israel — the administration's package represents only about half of the Israeli request — while decreasing the number of F-15s for Saudi Arabia.

But administration officials, including Powell yesterday, reject this concept. Powell predicted that the administration has the votes in Congress to approve the sales.

He said that a resolution successfully blocking the sales would be a major blow to peace prospects in the Middle East and a setback for U.S. national interests in the region.

Several opponents of the package predict that they have the votes to block it. Administration officials acknowledge that their position is weak in the Senate, but maintain it is strong in the House. Both chambers must pass resolutions of disapproval by majority votes in order to kill the sale.

Carter drops in on Mondale meeting with Jewish leaders

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Carter unexpectedly dropped in on a meeting last night where eight American Jewish leaders were reporting to Vice-President Walter Mondale on their talks last week with Prime Minister Begin.

After the meeting, the participants would say only that the discussion had been "cordial, like our talks with Mr. Begin." One added that they had avoided press publicity on the Begin meeting and preferred to do the same with the report to Mondale. They declined to comment on the unexpected appearance of Carter at the meeting.

The eight leaders represent four Jewish organizations — the American Jewish committee, the American Jewish Congress, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the National Jewish Community Relation Advisory Council.

It is understood here that the eight leaders, during their meeting with Begin last week, urged the prime minister to take a more moderate position on the questions of Israeli settlements in the administered territories and on the interpretation of UN Resolution 242. Rabbi Alexander Schindler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish American Organizations, declined to accompany the eight to Israel.

Meanwhile, in an editorial Sunday, "The New York Times" welcomed "the declaration of sympathy for (Prime Minister Menahem) Begin's Israel critics by three dozen prominent American Jews" as "a major event" which "claims a right — indeed a responsibility — to influence the Israeli diplomacy they so ardently desire to support." It is "all the more credible," the paper noted, because "they also criticize the Middle East diplomacy of President Carter."

The "Times" suggested that "precisely because many of Mr. Begin's American critics are deeply committed Zionists, they felt a need to rescue a cause that is also theirs from his peculiarly insensitive management."

THE ISRAEL MUSEUM is asking the public to loan it items for an exhibit it is planning on the art and culture of Kurdish Jewry.

Actor Robert de Niro, now in Israel to portray Moshe Dayan in a film version of Dayan's autobiography, has a meal with the Foreign Minister. (Golan)

Kissinger notes stay secret, for now

WASHINGTON (AP). — Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger won the Supreme Court's help yesterday in blocking, at least temporarily, government employees from combing through 15,000 pages of secret telephone notes he kept as the top adviser on foreign affairs.

The court granted Kissinger's request that it hold in abeyance a federal judge's order allowing State Department employees to begin processing the notes to determine which ones may be made public.

Kissinger now will challenge the order in the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals here. The materials will remain sealed pending the appeal.

The notes, taken by State Department secretaries while Kissinger spoke on the telephone, contain comments on virtually all his calls.

U.S. District Judge John L. Smith Jr. ruled last December that the notes should be in State Department custody because they had been produced on government time with the aid of government secretaries and equipment and thus were federal property.

Public release of the notes had been sought in a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit filed by the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, the American Historical Association, the Military Audit project and nine individuals.

New Chilean envoy

The new Chilean ambassador, General Jose Berdichevsky, arrived in Israel yesterday. He will present his credentials to President Katzir in Jerusalem on May 5.

The new ambassador, former commander of the Chilean air force, is Jewish. He and his wife were met at Ben-Gurion airport by the chief of protocol at the Foreign Ministry, Rehavam Amir, and representatives of the Chilean embassy. (Itim)

Gush Emunim rally

Gush Emunim leader Hanan Porat told a rally of 3,000 Gush members at the Western Wall in Jerusalem yesterday that compared to Peace Now, "which is based on worshipping a false policy, we are gathered near our temple and say 'seek ye the peace of Jerusalem'."

The Centre for Conservative Judaism in Jerusalem
invites you to attend
an illustrated lecture by
Dr. Eli Schliefer
on
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Orly and Ido Ben-Ari
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and great-grandson to Mally and Manfred Creutzberger

Cabinet ministers, MKs and thousands of guests participated yesterday in a ceremony of dedication for four Tora scrolls to be used in the two synagogues in the Cave of Machpela in Hebron. One of the scrolls, seen here on the left, was saved during the 1929 riots which brought an end to the town's Jewish community until Kiryat Arba was founded 10 years ago. See story on page one. (Rahamim Israeli)

3 dead, 17 hurt on coastal roads

NETANYA (Itim). — Three persons were killed and 17 injured yesterday in accidents in the coastal area. Police said some of the accidents may have been caused by the weather.

Ya'acov Danieli, 33, from Kadima, was run over by a train as he crossed a level crossing 3 km. south of Netanya driving a tractor and trailer loaded with citrus fruit.

Charles Ben-Hamo, 53, of Beersheba was killed near the Beit Lid junction when the car he was driving collided with a pickup truck that swerved across the road.

Avraham Amzaleg, 20, a soldier, was killed when the military vehicle in which he had hitched a ride collided with a truck on the Geha highway.

More cash for disabled

More than 25,000 disabled persons will receive bigger allowances from today, following the updating of the average monthly wage assessment to IL5,350 as compared to IL3,570 in April of last year. Disability allowances will now be IL1,338 per month for a single adult, IL2,007 for a couple and IL2,275 for a couple with one child.

A spokesman of the National Insurance Institute said that the maximum allowance for those disabled in accidents at work has been increased from last year's IL5,324 to IL8,025.

Special retirement pension rates have also been linked to the current average wage assessment. Single people will now get a monthly pension of IL856, compared to IL698 in March. Couples will receive IL1,284 and couples with one child IL1,552.

Soldier dies of burns

Post Military Correspondent

One of the eight IDF soldiers who were severely burned in a mattress blaze in the lock-up of an army base near Beersheba last week has died of his injuries, army sources said last night. The man's family have been informed.

The army last week set up a committee to investigate the incident. It was reported that a suspect, described as a drug addict, induced the soldiers in the lock-up to pile up their mattresses in front of the door and then set one alight.

ILO withholds findings

GENEVA (AP). — Conditions of the first-ever International Labour Organization mission to investigate workers' rights in the West Bank, Gaza and Sinai were "very satisfactory," the leader of the mission said yesterday.

But he declined to comment on the mission's findings, to be detailed in a report next month in advance of the International Labour Conference.

Nicolas Valticros, Greek assistant director-general of the ILO, said on return from Israel that the three-man mission had been free to see "whom we liked, where we liked."

Tel Aviv Maccabi wins cage playoffs

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi last night clinched their 19th championship title in the National Basketball League's first division playoffs by defeating Tel Aviv Hapoel, 118-77.

In other playoff games, Ramat Gan Hapoel beat Ramat Gan Maccabi, 108-82, and Gvat-Yagur Hapoel edged Haifa Hapoel, 82-81.

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useless and that Myron would be freed only in exchange for master spy Thompson, though our son had done nothing but lose his way in a storm."

In their phone conversation on Sunday, the parents spoke Russian with their son. The Marcus family, including a younger son now in the navy, hope to fly soon to Cape Town to see the freed man. They also hope that Marcus will return to Israel with his family to settle.

At a news conference in Johannesburg some three hours after the release at the border, the American congressman said he became involved in the case four months ago when told about it by one of his constituents, Rabbi Greenwald. Gilman said that in cooperation with Flatto and Marcus' father-in-law, Philip Susaman, he arranged the trade through Vogel after receiving "no response" from Mozambique authorities.

As Marcus walked across the border in the company of about 10 Mozambique civilians and into the arms of his weeping wife, Rabbi Greenwald recited the *gomel* blessing on rescue from acute danger.

Marcus was not immediately available to newsmen as South African authorities kept him in the international transit lounge at Johannesburg's Jan Smuts Airport because he did not have a passport.

However, his wife told newsmen, "I'm relieved and happy he's out. We'll be going to Cape Town when the Israeli Embassy issues him a new passport." Marcus was quickly granted a temporary residence permit, valid for seven days, giving him time to apply for a new Israeli passport. The released prisoner and his wife then went to Cape Town.

Congressman Gilman described the waiting at the border for Marcus' release as a "tense time because we had no word from across the border, only Vogel's assurances." He continued: "Until Mr. Marcus finally crossed the border at 5 o'clock this afternoon at the border near Goba we were not certain that the exchange would take place."

No explanation was given by Gilman why an Israeli and an American were being bartered for an East German spy.

Thompson was convicted of espionage in 1966 and is currently in the federal prison at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. The spy, who claims to be an East German citizen, received a 12-year sentence and was due for parole shortly. Van Norman will be released later this month on the East German border, while Thompson will be freed in the U.S. and taken to East Germany.

The arrangements for the prisoner exchange took more than five months, and a few days ago Flatto informed the Marcus family of the impending release on Sunday. Flatto talked to Rabbi Greenwald about the case while the rabbi was visiting Israel, and the rabbi then brought Congressman Gilman into the under-the-table negotiations. Gilman, a Republican, is chairman of the House of Representatives international relations committee.

Flatto, asked by the Marcus family 10 months ago for assistance, had sent an assistant, Shabtai Kalmanowitz, to East Berlin to see Vogel. Kalmanowitz was reported to be in South Africa at the time of Marcus' release.

Flatto told *The Post* last night that Vogel — whom he described as an "old friend" — was coming to Israel for a visit with his wife in June.

Talk of deal to free Shcharansky

WASHINGTON (AP). — The international prisoner exchange in which Myron Marcus was freed is spawning discussions of deals to free Soviet dissident Anatoly Shcharansky from the Soviet Union and a U.S. Central Intelligence Agency employee from Cuba.

An aide to U.S. representative Benjamin Gilman said on Sunday that East German lawyer Wolfgang Vogel — a key go-between in previous East-West prisoner exchanges — will arrive here this week with "some option for the possible release of Shcharansky."

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Ronny and Dina Golding and family
David and Kay Golding and family

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Sincerest condolences on the loss of
Prof. AVRAHAM MEIR ז"ל
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Ehrlich dodges question on future of Rafiah settlements

MOSHAV UGDA (Itim). — Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich would not tell residents of moshavim in the Rafiah region yesterday if he thinks it worthwhile to invest money and effort to make permanent homes in the area. However, the minister said the government had no intention of abandoning the North Sinai settlements.

Speaking to settlers in this moshav near Yamit after a tour of the area, Ehrlich said that the government's first principle in considering the future of the Rafiah settlements was that no Jewish settlement should be abandoned. This is in the spirit of Jewish settlement in Israel, he said, "but there are exceptions to every rule."

The government's peace plan, the minister said, envisages Egyptian sovereignty and Israeli security in the Rafiah region. "I don't know if the government plans to abandon the area and I don't know about any decision to stop (new) settlement. I also don't know about any decision to relocate these settlements," Ehrlich said.

Asked by a member of Moshav Ugda if settlers in the area should start investing time and effort in making permanent homes, Ehrlich said: "That is a concrete question. I am not empowered to give you a concrete answer... You must ask for a meeting with the Prime Minister and ask for clarifications."

Pessah tennis tourney starts in cold

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

RAMAT HASHARON. — The local Lawn Tennis Association's 44th annual Pessah international championships got under way yesterday in wintry weather at the Israel Tennis Centre here. Some $3,000 in prize money is being paid out at the tournament, which continues through Saturday.

The meet winds up the association's ninth spring circuit, with Israel champion Shlomo Glickstein having won the circuit's earlier men-only tournament in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. Play starts daily at 2 p.m.

Glickstein, seeded no. 1 ahead of West German indoor champion Uli Marten, started his bid for a third straight title with a comfortable 6-2, 6-1 victory over Moshe Mahler.

Top local Tommy Frischer, who like Glickstein is having a great circuit, beat Yaron Cohen 6-3, 6-3 in the first round. Another early winner was Canada's John Horna, who edged out Ya'acov Kestenbaum 2-6, 7-5 6-3. Apart from Marten and Horna, the only other overseas participant in the event is American Howard Hauptman.

The championships also include a women's competition, with the singles seedings being headed by federation cup players Paulina Peled, Hagit Tzubari and Tami Levin, followed by 15-year-old Dalia Soltz.

Dzindzihashvili leads chess tourney

By ELIAHU SHAHAF
Post Chess Reporter

TEL AVIV. — International grandmaster Roman Dzindzihashvili assumed sole leadership in the men's events of the Israel chess championship yeaterday by beating Victor Manajevich in the eighth round.

Israel champion Natan Birnboim sustained his first defeat, going down to Yehuda Grinfeld. In other eight round games, completed by 8 p.m. yesterday, Shimon Kagan beat Eli Meltzman, Amatziya Avni beat Meir Rom, and Alexander Stein drew with Michael Pasman.

Overall standings, including partial results of the eighth round: Dzindzihashvili, 7 points; Birnboim and Kagan, 4; Liberzon, 5½ (one adjourned); Zilber, 5 (1); Grinfeld, 4½; Bleiman, 4 (1); Avni, 4; Radashkovich, 3½ (1); Stepek, 2½ (1); Stein, Rom and Manajevich, 2½; Bank, 2 (1); Pasman, 2; Meltzman, 1½.

The central game in today's ninth round will be Dzindzihashvili against Bleiman.

In the main games of the women's event seventh round, Ljuba Kristol beat Tamar Golan, and Lea Nudelman beat Frieda Taitelbaum. Nudelman is in the lead with 6, followed by Kristol, 5, and Esther Samoshi and Golan, 4 each. Israel champion Olga Podrazhanskaya withdrew because of illness after playing three games.

Yishar Cohen, winner of the Eurovision song contest, and Lisa Gould, a member of his Alef-Bet group, relax in Paris a day after winning the prize. (AP wirephoto)

CARTER AND BEGIN

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Begin calls at the White House next Monday.

Officials in Jerusalem threw a dense cloud of secrecy around the preparations for the Dayan-Vance talks here, as well as the expected agenda in Washington. They said most newspaper analyses of the prospects in the Vance-Dayan talks were pure speculation.

Officials said reports here about Israel making fresh proposals regarding the declaration of principles could only injure Israel's chances of success because they hinted this country was ready to offer concessions. They also said reports that Israel had nothing new to propose were just as harmful because they appeared to indicate that Dayan's trip was pointless.

The secrecy surrounding the Dayan talks is borne out by the fact that no cabinet meeting was held this week to discuss his terms of reference, from which details might conceivably have leaked out.

If Dayan feels during his two days of talks at the State Department that Egypt or the U.S. have indicated avenues along which new movement could profitably be suggested, he will make no firm response before reporting to Begin, it was assumed.

HANDEL'S Water Music and a Rossini piece will be among the works performed tomorrow by the Israel Chamber Orchestra in a special Pessah concert for army units and local residents on the bank of the Jordan River in the Beit Shean Valley. The concert will start at 2 p.m.

ANAT ABIR
has died, aged 14
The funeral will take place today, April 25, 1978 leaving from the Sanhedria funeral parlour at 12 noon.
Mordechai and Ruth Abir
and Ronit

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Champagne flows as El Al takes to air

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Passengers on El Al's first flight in three weeks were greeted yesterday by airline personnel with champagne and flowers before boarding the plane.

Maintenance workers had prepared all 15 planes of the El Al fleet, but only three flights left yesterday. A company spokesman said that this was because most passengers had booked flights on other airlines.

Because of the lack of passengers, it might take a few days before the airline will be flying again according to its regular schedule of eight to 10 flights per day.

El Al spokesman Mordechai Savitsky told *The Jerusalem Post* that the negotiations with the workers will be renewed after the Pessah and May Day holidays.

Speaking in Moshav Ugda near Yamit yesterday, Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich said he was very pleased with the agreement. The agreements reached to end both the El Al and seamen's disputes would persuade other groups of workers to think twice before striking, he said.

The Labour Party yesterday voiced its satisfaction with the resumption of flights. It also praised the Histadrut's part in bringing an end to the shut-down. But Labour criticized the government and management, claiming they had tried to force the workers to agree on matters that were to be negotiated, even before the negotiations had started.

During the shut-down, the Austrian airline flew the largest number of flights of any foreign airline into Israel. During the past week alone there were 19 flights on the Vienna — Ben-Gurion route, compared to the usual four. Among the passengers were Israelis returning home for the holidays, and new immigrants from Russia, who managed to arrive for their first *seder* in Israel.

Police confirm probe into conduct of Negev commander

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A spokesman at National Police Headquarters yesterday confirmed reports that an investigation is being conducted into allegations of improper conduct on the part of Nitzav Mishne Yitzhak Yahav, commander of the Negev District.

Police investigating a building constructor in Ashkelon, first came across Yahav's name in connection with a purchase of floor tiles he had made for a house he is building in Moshav Masiul. This information was conveyed to the investigations department of the national police.

As is customary in such cases, the officer conducting the investigation, Tat-Nitzav Reuven Minkovski, submitted the file and his conclusions to the district attorney, who has asked the police to continue their investigation.

The police spokesman emphasized that there was an element of rumour in these allegations. This is "part of the game" as far as policemen are concerned, he said — there are many people who try to get even with a policeman who has "wronged" them. The police, however, treat every such allegation seriously and conduct thorough enquiries irrespective of the rank of the policeman involved.

Yahav, who is in his fifties, is due to retire from the force on May 1 for health reasons, after 25 years of service.

SPCA banned from bid to stop bullfight

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The impresario organizing Independence Day's "Spanish Fiesta," which will include a non-lethal bullfight, yesterday obtained a court order forbidding the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) from trying to ban the event.

The temporary injunction won by impresario Avraham Berman forbids the SPCA and its chairman, Hilda Friedstein, from publishing any objections to the bullfight or asking any government institution to ban the event.

Berman obtained the order at the Tel Aviv District Court after his attorney said that no bulls would be killed in the fight in the Bloomfield stadium, and that the bullfight will be only one part of a "kind of circus." He said the publicity accorded to Friedstein's attempts to ban the bullfight has already seriously curtailed sales of tickets and caused him much damage.

Decentralization for Arab education

The Ministry of Education has decided to decentralize the activities of its Arab education and culture department and to transfer the majority of its work from Jerusalem to regional centres, director-general Eliezer Shmueli announced yesterday.

The decentralization process is expected to make the department's work in the Arab sector more efficient. A branch of the department is shortly to be opened in Nazareth to deal with Arab education in the north.

School uniforms

Parents should not be obliged to buy their children school uniforms if this is beyond their means, Education Minister Zevulun Hammer said yesterday.

Hammer was speaking after receiving many letters from parents complaining about the expense. He also said teachers should be instructed to insist on modest dress at school.

INCOME TAX forms for the 1977 tax year are currently being distributed to 800,000 taxpayers by the income and property tax department of the ministry of finance.

Three of the vehicles that fell afoul of yesterday's weather in and around Jerusalem. (Elharar — Sunphot)

Weatherman expects less rain today after Pessah drenching

The weatherman last night expected only light showers this morning after yesterday's heavy rains and hail which drenched many Pessah vacationers in northern and central Israel.

The heavy rains that swept northern and central Israel forced about 10,000 drenched campers along the shores of the Kinneret to pull up their tents and head for home. The weatherman was not surprised by their predicament — he said sudden rainstorms are not unusual for this season.

Hail hit Jerusalem at about 11 o'clock in the morning after hours of rain that snarled up traffic and caused several road accidents. Many drivers were caught without windshield wipers and police cautioned the public to remember their winter driving habits.

In Haifa the morning rain temporarily flooded several streets on Mount Carmel and work in the port was stopped for two hours. Farmers in Western Galilee also had to stop working their fields, but were pleased at the rain, saying it would save them irrigation fees.

Upper Galilee and Golan got a heavy dose of rain and a strong hailstorm hit Tiberias and the Jordan Valley in the early afternoon.

The weatherman at the Beit Dagan meteorological station said frustrated trippers have to blame a low pressure trough from Libya, cooled by a chilly stream of air from the Balkans which drifted over our region. Starting today, he said, temperatures will slowly start to climb up to the season's average.

Israelis differ on Polish attitude

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israeli delegates returning from ceremonies marking the opening of the Jewish pavilion at Auschwitz differed yesterday on the significance of Poland's recent overtures to Israel.

Dr. Yitzhak Arad, director of Yad Vashem, said that by inviting Israelis to attend the museum opening, "The Poles have done about all they can without asking someone else's permission. What happens from here will depend on many factors, including the situation in Lebanon."

But Stefan Grayek, chairman of the World Federation of Partisans, Ghetto Fighters, and Concentration Camp Inmates, told reporters that the two Polish ministers he had spoken to had called the occasion "a bridge" toward normalization of relations.

Both agreed, however that "the Poles had been very eager for the Jewish museum to be a success, which is why they had solicited our help and advice."

Grayek added that a delegation from Zbowid, the Polish underground during the Nazi occupation, may visit Israel soon as guests of his federation.

A conference of former partisans and ghetto fighters will take place tomorrow at the Pumpedita Hall in Tel Aviv. Prime Minister Menahem Begin and World Zionist Executive Chairman Arye Dulzin are due to attend the evening session at 8 p.m.

Druse festival starts

TIBERIAS. — The 50,000 Druse of Israel and the Golan Heights today begin the three-day festival of Nebi Shu'eib. It will have a purely religious character and, unlike previous years, Jewish officials will not participate.

Religious leaders will conduct the traditional prayer service at the tomb of Nebi Shu'eib, near Kfar Hittin.

Herut to vote on Matza

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The selection of Jerusalem Deputy Mayor Yehoshua Matza as the Likud's candidate for mayor in the forthcoming municipal elections is to be put to a vote of the Herut Council in Jerusalem next Monday.

Matza was chosen last week to oppose Mayor Teddy Kollek by a nominating committee headed by attorney Dan Meridor.

Shelli, Rakah join Histadrut for May1

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Shelli and Rakah (New Communist) factions in the Histadrut yesterday agreed to participate in the Histadrut's May Day pageant here and to cancel their own separate parades and demonstrations.

Under the agreement, the two parties will use only flags and slogans approved by the pageant organizers.

Rakah subsequently informed the Tel Aviv police that its parade, which was to have taken place next Monday morning, has been cancelled.

In Nazareth meanwhile, the northern district police have refused to issue permits for two separate May Day demonstrations requested by the local labour council and Rakah.

The police explained that both groups wanted to hold the demonstrations at the same time and in the same place — Pope Paul Street, the city's main thoroughfare. This would hold up traffic for three hours, police said.

Following the refusal, Rakah has applied to hold an outdoor rally near St. Mary's Well at 1 p.m. The application is likely to be approved.

Bank of Israel men not too worried about package deal

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

Senior Bank of Israel economists told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that they are not unduly worried about the domestic expansion that may result from last week's agreement between Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich and Histadrut Secretary-General Yeroham Meshel.

The agreement will cost the Treasury an estimated IL8b. gross in forgone revenue because of the freeze on taxes, fees and subsidy cuts, and because of the wage increases in the public sector. The net increase in the deficit may be some IL6b., meaning that the Treasury will have to print that much more money.

Bank of Israel sources said this will probably impair the structural change in the economy towards export-oriented investment and output. But from the viewpoint of the balance of payments and the foreign currency reserves, there is a certain amount of leeway because Israel's situation is no longer as tight as it was three years ago. By mid-April the reserves were close to $1,500m — some $250m. more than in October, the last month before the new economic policy was introduced.

If inflation can really be slowed down significantly by allowing domestic output to expand, the sources said, then the price may well be worth be paying. There was however, concern that this expansion, unplanned and unforeseen as it is, may become uncontrolled. There are no signs that the Treasury has a coherent economic policy to take advantage of such a short-term growth to promote longer-term goals — such as greater labour mobility, a reform of labour relations, and increased productivity, coupled with an overall development strategy designed to encourage industries oriented towards exports and producing goods that would substitute imports.

Tamir favours amnesty by merit

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — "Those who took part in the events at the Shatta prison were harming their own case. It would be better if each prisoner awaits the findings of the public review board studying his file," Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir said yesterday.

Speaking to newsmen at the Reali School where he addressed the annual meeting of its graduates, Tamir said that the decision against a general amnesty was taken by the prime minister, the attorney-general, and himself.

They had agreed that there was no justification for a sweeping pardon for the 3,000 prison inmates, 7,000 persons under suspended sentences and thousands more facing prosecution for traffic offences. In the light of past experience, they said such a general amnesty would only add to the crime wave and threaten the forces of law.

"What we did decide positively in the 30th year of statehood was to review the case of every one of the 3,000 prison inmates by three public committees. After I get their findings I shall decide whether to pardon the convicts or to reduce their sentences in the light of such criteria as conduct in prison, family situation and chances of rehabilitation," Tamir said.

The committees will include Supreme Court Justices Berenson, Shereshevsky and Manny, and several other public figures.

At the same time, Tamir said, he will draft a bill to wipe the slate clean for offenders of 10 to 15 years ago who have since mended their ways. In this category are tens of thousands, especially those who as juveniles had had a brush with the law, but have turned into law-abiding citizens, he said.

Other steps under consideration to mark the 30th anniversary are a reprieve for economic offenders. "But this will not include laundering black capital," Tamir noted.

Armenians mark massacre day

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Local Armenians yesterday marked the 63rd anniversary of the start of the Turkish massacres which killed 1.5 million Armenians and left another million homeless.

The day was observed in the Old City of Jerusalem by a total shutdown of the Armenian Quarter and with services at the Armenian monastery.

The Jerusalem Armenian community circulated red-stained leaflets telling the story of "the first genocide of the 20th century" in Hebrew, Arabic, English, French, Armenian and Greek for the benefit of pilgrims from Greece and Cyprus who are crowding the Old City for the Greek Orthodox Easter Week.

NATIONAL league and second division soccer teams will play in outlying towns and villages today against local elevens as part of the Israel Football Association's 50th jubilee celebrations.

Spiridon Granitsas, Director of the UN Information Centre for Greece, Israel and Cyprus, based in Athens, photographed yesterday at the UN stamps section of the Tabir '78 national stamp exhibition at Binyenei Ha'ooma in Jerusalem. All the UN stamps on exhibit were designed by Israeli artists and were prepared especially for Tabir '78 at Granitsas' initiative. (Barzilay)

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Koreans mourn airline victim

SEOUL (Reuter). — Prime Minister Choi Kyu-Hah led wailing mourners in prayer when the coffin of the South Korean passenger killed when Soviet jets shot up the Boeing 707 which strayed over Arctic Russia was brought home yesterday.

A relief plane also brought to Seoul 47 passengers and crew from the ill-fated Korean Airlines flight 902, which crash-landed on a frozen lake in Russia's Kola peninsula after being fired on by at least one Mig jet on Thursday night.

The relief aircraft earlier had dropped Japanese passengers at Tokyo, where they told new and harrowing tales of how the Boeing dived 10,000 metres after the Mig's fire ripped into it.

Boeing captain Kim Chang-Kuy, who saved the plane, and navigator Lee Kun-So remain held in the Soviet Union, presumably to try to resolve for the Russians the mystery of how the 707 strayed 1,600 kilometres from its trans-polar course from Paris to Seoul.

"We will have to wait till the return of the captain and navigator to find out what really happened," Korean Airlines president Cho Chung-Hoon said at Seoul airport yesterday.

The packed airport echoed to the wailing of mourners during a brief Confucian memorial ceremony around the coffin of the dead South Korean, Pang Tai-Hwan, 36. One Japanese passenger was also fatally wounded in the incident. Both were killed by Soviet fire. Those brought to Seoul were 35 South Korean passengers, one Frenchman and two British businessmen.

A Japanese doctor who alighted in Tokyo told how some passengers broke out whisky to toast Captain Kim, after he brought his bullet-riddled plane down smoothly on a frozen lake.

The co-pilot of the KAL jet said that the crew had received no warning from the Soviet Mig interceptor before it opened fire. "I was on the international emergency frequency, but I did not hear anything ... We didn't contact at all," he said. He was unable to say how far the KAL jet had strayed into Soviet airspace, but he believed it was "a little bit".

South Korean President Park Chung-Hee yesterday thanked the Russians for freeing the passengers but asked for the early return of the captain and navigator.

In Moscow, U.S. officials also asked the Soviet Foreign Ministry for information on the whereabouts of the pilot and navigator of the aircraft. A similar request for information was made by the U.S. State Department to the Soviet embassy in Washington. The U.S. is acting as intermediary between the Soviet and South Korean governments, which have no diplomatic relations. (Reuter, AP)

A Florence policeman hands over Rubens' "The Three Graces" to a museum official after it was recovered from burglars. (AP wirephoto)

Earthlings look at the sun

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Planet earth will pay the sun its due respects next week in a world-wide celebration of solar energy that seeks to inform earthlings about alternatives to the dwindling supply of oil, coal and gas.

The UN was chosen as "a symbolic move" for a sunrise ceremony on May 3 that will introduce a series of solar-related festivities around the U.S. and 28 other countries, according to Lois Redford, president of Consumer Action Now.

Ms. Redford's group, founded after Earth Day in 1970 to focus on renewable resources and conservation, has organized four days of educational workshops and lectures for New York City.

Her film star husband, Robert Redford, will join American UN Ambassador Andrew Young and other speakers a week from Wednesday at 5:57 a.m. for "the dawning of the solar age" at the UN Plaza. The Redfords live in New York, but have a second home in Utah that is designed to capture the sun's rays for heating.

Solar enthusiasts are pushing for the rapid development of solar energy. Energy from the sun can be used directly through sunlight, or indirectly through wind power, hydroelectric generation or conversion of plants into liquid fuel.

Dennis Hayes, an energy analyst for the non-profit Worldwatch Institute in Washington, has estimated that with effort, the world can abandon its dependency on oil, gas, coal and uranium and derive 35 per cent of its energy from the sun within the next 50 years.

The U.S. is way behind other nations when it comes to solar heating and cooling, he said. About 36,000 American homes heat their water with sunlight, compared with 200,000 in Israel and more than two million in Japan.

Rhodesian minister won't apologize

SALISBURY (AP). — Justice Minister Byron Hove was back at his desk yesterday after declaring that he would neither resign nor apologize for remarks last week that angered some whites.

Hove, who is black, is fast winning support from black political leaders for his firm stand against demands by the ruling Executive Council to retract his statements.

Hove, 38, infuriated his white co-minister Hilary Squires by speaking last week of a need for a shakeup in the white-dominated police and judiciary, suggesting blacks must play a bigger role. Hove was sworn in as Co-Minister of Justice and of Law and Order 12 days ago.

The retraction demand was made jointly by the four leaders in the Executive Council — white Prime Minister Ian Smith, and Bishop Abel Muzorewa, Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole and Chief Jeremiah Chirau, who are black.

Meanwhile, riot police yesterday broke up a march into downtown Salisbury by 200 black university students protesting the internal settlement agreement signed on March 3. It was the first organized demonstration in Salisbury against the settlement since it was signed. Police made no arrests and there was no violence.

South West Africa tribesmen abducted by armed raiders

WINDHOEK, South West Africa (AP). — A group of about 70 armed terrorists on Saturday hijacked a bus and abducted at least 72 Owambos from northern South West Africa across the Angolan border, the head of security police, Col. Koos Myburgh, said here yesterday.

Myburgh said between 60 and 70 armed blacks, thought to be black nationalists of the South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), surrounded the bus and forced the driver to turn off on a by-road leading to the border, about 10 kms. away.

The passengers included men, women and children. At the border, 12 elderly passengers were allowed to leave the bus, Myburgh said.

Saturday's incident was the second major abduction of Owambos, one of South West Africa's largest tribes, across the Angolan border this year.

Burglar's brag leads to swag

FLORENCE (UPI). — A burglar bragging in a Florence bar was all the help police needed to recover the 10 paintings stolen on Friday from the Pitti Museum.

Rubens' The Three Graces and nine other paintings — worth together at least $1.1m. — were hung up in the Pitti yesterday less than 30 hours after they were stolen.

Detectives arrested three men on charges of "multiple aggravated theft" in connection with the pre-dawn burglary, the most sensational in the wave of art thefts that have plagued Italy's private and public collections in recent years.

Police credited the speedy recovery of the paintings to one of the arrested men, 29-year-old Franci Mefiti. "He went to a neighbourhood bar and began bragging about pulling a big job at the Pitti," said one still astonished officer.

Police trailed Mefiti who led them to Giovanni Manfredi. Once in custody, both men confessed to the burglary and said the art works were with their "fence," Florence attorney Franco Brogi.

Brogi denied all knowledge of the paintings but when police asked to examine his car he said he had forgotten where it was parked and didn't remember its colour or make. The lawyer was arrested when police located the vehicle and found the stolen goods carefully wrapped in newspapers in the trunk.

63 children 'jailed' in Thai factory

BANGKOK (AP). — Police raided a tinsel paper factory in Bangkok on Saturday and found 63 children, mostly under working age, in jail-like conditions, police reported yesterday.

The 49 girls and 14 boys, some as young as eight years old, appeared to be in frail health and most had contracted skin diseases, police said.

Some children told police they were "purchased" by the factory, which sent a broker to recruit the young workers in the northeastern provinces. Some children said their parents received $90 as an annual salary for their children.

A 16-year-old girl said almost every girl worker had been molested by the factory owner's son and many had been sexually abused. The children were kept inside the factory 24 hours a day, she said.

Police said the factory owner, Mrs. Somphit Chantanapanich, was charged with child abuse and violation of the labour law, which prohibits employment of children under 12.

Cairo gang linked to Red Brigades

CAIRO (Reuter). — Three Swiss students have been detained by Egyptian police investigating a plot to assassinate foreign and Egyptian officials in Cairo, a Swiss embassy spokesman said here yesterday.

But Egyptian authorities have released a West German youth and promised to free a West German girl, who were also detained.

The semi-official "al-Ahram" newspaper reported on Sunday that a secret organization linked to Italy's Red Brigades terrorists had planned to murder several Egyptian public figures and well-known foreigners living in Egypt.

It said a Swiss contact was to coordinate actions with the Italian terrorists and members of a Palestine Liberation Organization splinter group in Baghdad called "The General Command of the Revolutionary Fatah and the PLO's Corrective Movement."

The Swiss embassy spokesman said the three detained Swiss had been studying Arabic at Cairo University.

Swiss student Gianni Bachetta seen before his arrest in Cairo on suspicion of belonging to a terrorist organization. (AP radiophoto)

Flogging for rapists

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (UPI). — Four men convicted of raping a 14-year-old girl were publicly flogged in a soccer stadium on Sunday in front of more than 100,000 people, including many who perched in trees.

The prisoners had been sentenced to a year in prison with hard labour and 12 lashes each for the crime.

Emerald poachers

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP). — Five hundred people were arrested during the weekend in connection with illegally mining emeralds, Copperbelt chief of police Crispin Katukula said yesterday.

Malaysian leader on secrets charge

MALACCA, Malaysia (Reuter). — A court here yesterday ordered Malaysia's parliamentary opposition leader, Lim Kit Siang to stand trial on two charges under the official secrets act.

The first charge related to the purchase of four fast patrol boats from Sweden by the Malaysian navy. It said Lim had reasonable ground to believe that information he received in August 1976 about the boats was given to him in violation of the act. If convicted, he faces seven years imprisonment, or a 10,000 ringgit (IL68,000) fine or both.

The second charge alleged that he failed to disclose to the police the identity of person or persons who had unlawfully communicated to him the information about the purchase of the vessels.

Lim is liable to three years jail or a 5,000 ringgit (IL34,000) fine, or both, if convicted on this charge.

Patty Hearst must go back to prison

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The Supreme Court decided yesterday that newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst must go back to jail for her part in a 1974 bank robbery.

It refused to consider her appeal against a sentence of seven years for joining in the robbery with the radical group which kidnapped her two months earlier.

The case, partly because Patricia was the daughter of a rich and influential man and partly because of its bizarre twists, made front-page news around the world.

It began early in 1974, when Miss Hearst was dragged screaming from her San Francisco apartment. Her kidnappers identified themselves as members of the Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA), a revolutionary group.

On April 15, two months after the abduction, the SLA held up the Hibernia Bank of San Francisco. A bank camera photographed the holdup and Miss Hearst was identified as a gun-carrying member of the holdup team.

France denies neutron bomb test

PARIS (AP). — The administration of President Valery Giscard d'Estaing yesterday denied that France has exploded an experimental neutron bomb and said that no such experiments are planned.

The mass circulation newspaper "France-Soir" last week published a story saying that a recent underground explosion at the French testing ground on Mururoa Atoll in the South Pacific was a "full scale laboratory experiment" of a neutron bomb.

The story quoted a "senior military officer" as saying that France was still three or four years away from making deployable neutron weapons.

Yesterday's statement by Andre Arnaud, a spokesman at the Elysee Palace, said "stories that appeared in certain press organs concerning experiments by France on a neutron bomb are not serious. No experiment of this kind has been held and none is planned."

French officials previously had refused to confirm, deny or make any comment on the reports in line with long-standing French policy of refusing information of any kind on nuclear tests. Defence Minister Yvon Bourges was reported to have told the defence committee at the National Assembly that the reports "should not be taken seriously."

Turks reject Aegean arbitration

ANKARA (AP). — Turkey yesterday officially rejected arbitration by the International Court at The Hague over the continental shelf dispute in the Aegean Sea between Turkey and Greece, a foreign ministry spokesman announced.

The continental shelf dispute, which involves oil exploration and exploitation rights on the Aegean seabed, began in 1974 and brought the two Nato-member neighbours to the brink of war in 1976.

In another dispute, in Athens, Cypriot Foreign Minister Nicos Rolandis yesterday briefed Greek officials, including Foreign Minister Panayotis Papaligouras, on his government's objections to "totally unacceptable" Turkish-Cypriot proposals for renewed intercommunal talks on the divided island.

The Turkish-Cypriot proposals covered territorial and economic issues.

Soviets bow to Iraqis in landlord-tenant row

BEIRUT (Reuter). — The Kremlin's diplomats in Baghdad, twice deprived of water and power in the past four months, have finally agreed to Iraqi demands to move the Soviet embassy to new premises, diplomatic sources said here yesterday.

Irate Iraqi government authorities cut off the embassy's water and power supply for five days last month at the climax of an 18-month campaign to move the Russians away from the immediate vicinity of the presidential palace, the nerve centre of the Iraqi establishment.

The sources said that the Iraqis, close political allies of the Soviet Union, cut off water and power from the embassy for several days late last year without managing to dislodge the Russians.

According to the sources, the Iraqis first asked the Russians to move late in 1976 because they felt the embassy was ideally placed for eavesdropping. The Soviets resisted.

But now, the sources said, the Soviet ambassador to Baghdad had agreed to a change of location. His own residence was moved to Baghdad's residential Mansour district earlier this month and the embassy is to be moved before the end of the year.

Eastern bloc diplomats here have followed the unusual landlord-tenant row in Baghdad with barely concealed amusement. "The Iraqis want to show that they are a big, independent power, treating friend and foe equally," one diplomat said.

Saudis give $6.6b.

RIYADH (Reuter). — Saudi Arabia's foreign aid to Arab, Islamic and developing countries last year totalled $6.6b., representing 16.55 per cent of its oil income, the daily newspaper "Al-Jazirah" reported here yesterday.

Among the beneficiaries were Egypt, Jordan, Syria, North Yemen, Sudan, Somalia and Pakistan.

Turkish airline strike

ISTANBUL (AP). — About 2,500 white- and blue-collar workers of the state-owned Turkish Airlines went on an indefinite strike yesterday, grounding all scheduled flights of the national carrier in the Istanbul airport. The strike came after negotiations for a new labour contract collapsed in disagreement over higher pay demands.

Auto officials killed

ARLINGTON, Indiana (AP). — A twin-engine plane carrying nine persons, including seven top officials of the U.S. Auto Club, crashed and burned in a muddy field late Sunday killing all aboard, a USAC official reported yesterday.

The racing officials were headed to Indianapolis to begin preparations for the Indianapolis 500, for which practice runs begin next week. Also on board were a pilot and a physician who was a race fan travelling with the officials.

Economist Rueff, 81

PARIS (UPI). — Economist Jacques Rueff, one of the world's respected advocates of economic liberalism and of a return to the gold standard, died yesterday at his Paris home at the age of 81, his family announced.

Rueff was considered to be the most influential economic adviser of the late President Charles de Gaulle and the initiator of the economic reforms that brought prosperity to France in the beginning of the Fifth Republic.

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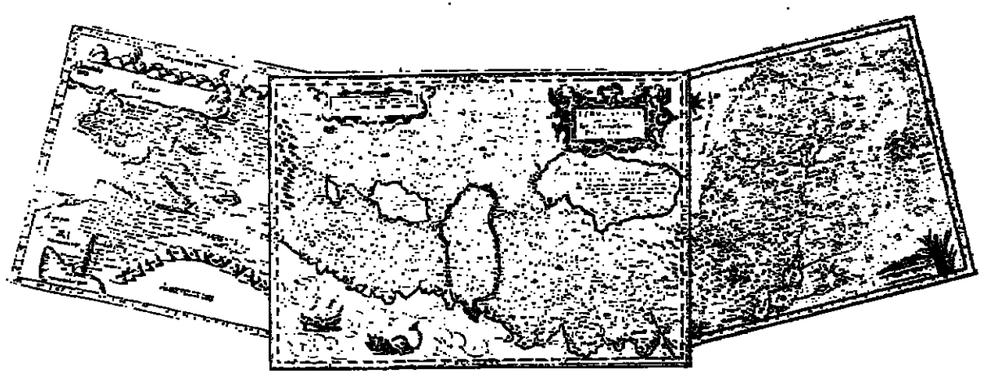

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By the Grace of G-d
In the Third day of the week,
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To the Sons and Daughters of Our People Israel, Everywhere G-d bless you all!

Greeting and Blessing:

At this time, in the month of Nissan, a few days before Pessah, we pause to reflect on the general significance of the month of Nissan, which underscores the miraculous (supra-natural) aspect of Divine Providence (as also indicated in the name of the month: *Nissan* from the word *ness*, "miracle"), with its instructive message relating to the "supra-natural" conduct of a Jew in everyday life: to free himself in all matters of Torah and Mitzvos, from his natural restraints. This is also the inner content of *Yetzias Mitzraim* (in the sense of *metzarim*, "boundaries").

Let us now reflect on some aspects of this theme, which, like all details in Torah (=meaning, "instruction"), are also instructive guidelines in daily life.

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Speaking of miracles, it is to be noted that these are of various kinds.

There are *hidden* miracles that are "clothed" (concealed) in "natural" garments —

One such is the Miracle of Purim which, seen *superficially*, may lead to the erroneous conclusion that the collapse of Haman's evil plan came about wholly through the intercession of Queen Esther; prior to that, Mordecai's fortuitous foiling of the plot against Ahasuerus's life, and earlier still, the circumstances that led to Esther's becoming queen, and so forth, as related in the Megillah.

Each of the said happenings by itself appears as a "natural," lucky "coincidence," all of which apparently laid the groundwork for Haman's downfall, leading to the complete "reversal" that culminated in the festival of Purim. In reality, needless to say, all those events down to their last detail, were one continuous chain — beginning with the events related in the first verses of the Megillah. Each one was later recognized as the intervention of Divine Providence working in a manner of concealed miracles (clothed in natural garments), each event being a preparatory step and integral part in the ultimate reversal of the situation and the Miracle of Purim.

A second category is the *revealed* miracle, which is obviously supra-natural, such as the miracles of Pessah and Yetzias Mitzraim, as recounted in the Torah. Our Sages emphasize that in the natural order it was entirely impossible for a single slave to "get out of" (escape from) Egypt, whereas on Pessah there was an exodus of a whole people, "about 600,000 men strong, apart from women and children," all of whom departed with a "raised arm," while even previously, there were the "ten miracles that occurred to our ancestors in Egypt."

There is also another classification of miracles: miracles that occur to an individual (and his family); miracles for the entire Jewish people; and miracles that influence the outside world.

The miracles of Nissan and Yetzias Mitzraim, being the prototype of the miraculous Divine Providence, comprised all the three types of miracles mentioned above: the "ten miracles that occurred for our ancestors in Egypt" — for the entire Jewish people; they also included miracles for Jews individually, as, for example, in the case of the plague of Darkness, when for a Jew it was light even when he entered the blacked-out house of an Egyptian neighbour; and, of course, there was the impact of the "multiple Divine signs and wonders in the land of Egypt" and beyond, as it is written, "Nations heard and trembled."

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The instructive message of all this to every Jewish man and woman is: the "supra-natural" (unhindered and uninhibited) conduct of a Jew in his daily life, in addition to what it means for him (and his family), has, at the same time, a direct influence on the entire Jewish people, inasmuch as every Jew is a part of the Jewish people which is "one complete organism." Moreover, in light of our Sages' interpretation of the first words of the Torah, *Breishis boro elokim* ("In the beginning G-d created"), to the effect that because of two things called *reishis* ("first,") — Jews and the Torah — G-d created the *heavens and the earth*, i.e. the whole world with all that it contains — a Jew's conduct has an effect in heaven and on earth and on all that is contained therein.

Thus, when a Jew's conduct is "supra-natural", it evokes a corresponding *Divine supra-natural* Providence, both for him and for all Jews, as well as for the whole world, eliciting and bringing down G-d's concomitant, unlimited blessings.

Furthermore, serving G-d (through Torah, prayer and Tzedoko) without restraints, in a *supra-natural* way, must include both the fulfilment of the Mitzvos "between man and G-d" and the Mitzvos which are (also) "between man and man," first and foremost of which is the Mitzva of *v'ohavto lre'acho komocho* ("love your fellow as yourself") as well as fulfilment of the obligations towards non-Jews and humanity at large.

This includes the Mitzva to do everything possible to promote the observance of the "Seven Laws of Mankind," in all their ramifications — the Divine precepts given to all mankind, which are the cornerstone of all human society.

In this way a Jew helps to lift the world out of its materialistic limitations, and to make it accord more with the Will of the Creator.

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May G-d grant that every man and woman, aided and spurred by the strength, inspiration and vitality of the month of Nissan and, especially, by the Festival of Pessah, should make the leap ("pass-over") — which is one of the meanings of "Pessah" — to break through the mundane limitations.

May the strength of the Month of Geulo and the "Festival of Our Liberation" also illumine and permeate the commonplace natural activities of our daily lives (eating, drinking, etc.) throughout the year, and help us do this with joy and gladness of heart.

May this also be the prelude to the immediate and unlimited Geulo — in accordance with the well-known ruling of the Rambam that when Jews do Teshuva they are *redeemed at once* — the true and complete Geulo of the entire nation and of every individual Jew through our Righteous Moshiach.

When this time arrives, everyone will see that "You are the G-d Who acts wondrously. You make known among the nations Your might."

At that time, the whole world and all mankind will be redeemed in accordance with the prophecies: "I will create new heavens and a new earth," and "Then I will revert unto the nations a pure language, that they all call upon the Name of G-d and serve Him with one consent." The whole world will then be truly redeemed and restored to perfection.

With esteem and with blessing for *Hatslocho* in all the above, and for a Koshor and happy Pessah

(Signed) Menachem Schneerson

Fidel raises a mailed fist

By HUGH O'SHAUGHNESSY/OFNS Correspondent

HAVANA. — "Tank Repair Factory." The large sign proudly proclaims the news that Cuba can now repair tanks. And in case any suspicious Western diplomat should doubt the ability of these Caribbeans to do any such thing, the huge Russian monsters stand in line just inside the gate.

Some are chastely shrouded in tarpaulin, others are naked, their guns pointing towards the distant palm trees, flaunting themselves at every traveller who passes 20 metres away along the main highway from Havana to Pinar del Rio.

A kilometre or so farther on lies the entrance to a new barracks, its multi-coloured signboard proclaiming the location with all the eye-catching enthasm of a Holiday Inn.

A little way towards the coast, a billboard brashly proclaims "Site of the Naval Academy." Three kilometres away a shoal of gunboats lie in the creeks which were once busy with millionaires' yachts.

Stand on any corner in central Havana for five minutes and you are virtually guaranteed a glimpse of the widest range of Soviet military transport vehicles — jeeps, or four- or six-wheel Gaz trucks — some full of soldiers in fatigues.

HOWEVER reticent the Cuban government may be about its deployment round the world, there is no reticence here in Havana about the fact that Cuban forces are strong, active and well-armed. Troop strength is about 150,000, with some 600 tanks and combat planes.

The army glories in private over the bloody nose it gave the racialist imperialists from South Africa on the road to Luanda. Fidel Castro himself, never seen in public out of military uniform, disdains his newly assumed title of president for that of commander-in-chief. He has always seen himself as a soldier, the leader of an embattled island which shouts scorn at the bourgeoisie of the world.

Castro's Revolution of 1959 in fact soon generated a military mystique, the daring expedition of the small band in the cabin cruiser *Granma*, the heroic days of the guerrillas in the Sierra Maestra and, not least, the veneration paid to Ernesto "Che" Guevara, who since his death in Bolivia in 1967 has been presented to the Cuban people as the model of the guerrilla fighter.

Never has Cuban military feeling been as visible and palpable as it is this year. Never has the government been able to glory so about going on the offensive — and in a continent where no Latin American troops had ever trod before. The days of sitting defensively at home scanning the skies and seas for the Yankee aggressors are over.

THE CUBAN Government insists — and officials in Washington to a large extent agree — that Cuba's role in Africa is not one of merely carrying out orders from the Soviet Union.

The Cuban connection with Africa began in 1959, the first year of Castro's power, before the strong connection with the Soviets was forged, and it continued through the early 1960s when Soviet-Cuban relations underwent a series of ups and downs.

However much Soviet help Cuba receives and however close the coordination between the two governments on Africa policy, Cuban officials emphasize that Cuba is carrying out its own policies in Africa, policies aimed at attacking colonialism and imperialism in support of the developing world.

Cuba's military involvement in Angola on the side of Agostinho Neto's MPLA in 1975 was the logical outcome of more than a decade of contacts between Neto and the Cubans.

Such military involvement had been foreshadowed, albeit on a small scale, by the presence of Cuban advisers to the forces of the PAIGC, which had been fighting the Portuguese in Guinea-Bissau from the late 1960s onwards.

THE CUBAN military activity in the Portuguese-speaking territories of Africa should not have come as a surprise to the world.

Though rather more hidden from view than its support of the liberation movements fighting the Portuguese, Havana's activities in the Horn of Africa and on the Arabian peninsula gave indications that there too Cubans could be involved in large military operations.

The cornerstone of this involvement has been the close relationship the Castro government has had with the left-wing government of South Yemen. From South Yemen, Cuban military experts have helped the guerrillas fighting the conservative Sultan in the neighbouring territory of Oman.

South Yemen too was the centre from which Cuban military assistance was sent to the rebels in Eritrea in the early 1970s when they were fighting the Emperor Haile Selassie and the central government of Ethiopia. The Cubans in Aden, the capital of South Yemen, were also in close touch with the Cuban military experts attached to the Somali forces.

And after the Horn will come southern Africa. Cubans are already training the guerrillas of the Patriotic Front who are fighting the Smith regime in Rhodesia. And after Rhodesia it will be very surprising if Cuban military expertise is not put to work against the white minority government in South Africa.

The influence of Cuba outside its own shores is bound to get stronger as the Cuban leadership's desire to aid liberation movements round the world is played out.

"The fact is," commented one Western diplomat who had no reason to support the Cuban President's ambitious aspirations, "this island is too small for Fidel Castro."

Clenching a cigar in a Castro-like attitude, an Angolan soldier in the MPLA (Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (right) chats with a Cuban officer. The picture was shot in 1976. The Cuban holds a Kalatchnikov, the Angolan an Uzi. (IPPA)

Going Iron Age

By KATHERINE WHITEHORN
OFNS Correspondent

IMAGINE a world without soap or newspapers, without electricity or pens or pencils, without hooks and eyes. Well, you needn't, if you see a television series called "Living in the Past."

The BBC took half a dozen couples and three children, and set them down in a remote woodland clearing in the south of England to live for a year as Iron Age people lived.

They couldn't "go Iron Age" all at once — there had to be barbed wire to keep in their beasts till they made fences of wattle, some sort of shelter while they built their straw-domed huts; but they worked towards being as authentic as they could, using replicas of old axes and billhooks found in museums, grinding their corn with primitive wheels and receiving no visitors except the photographers.

All very strange? It didn't seem strange at all. All those women in loose handwoven frocks kneading their rough bread, those half-naked children running about grinning, the proliferation of handcraft objects of wood and straw — the whole thing looked like a slightly arty twentieth-century commune.

THE HAIRY chap with the thong round his head could have been settling down to hack out a poem for "The Village Voice" as much as to whittle willows. The man exhorting the pigs to mate (the boar kept getting it wrong about which sow was in heat) looked like a Jesus freak in his loin cloth and beard. And the glowing homespun girls looked just like the 1970s believers in the natural life, bodily contact with small children, breast-feeding and whole grains.

Even the huge straw roofs could have been simply the dining area of some undiscovered Club Mediterranee. The simple life? Man, we've been there before.

The rival commercial networks propose — or at least if they'd any sense they would propose — to set up a rival excursion into the Soot Age; they will take a group of people and dump them down in a nineteenth-century vicarage for as long as they can stand it.

Unlike the Iron Age group, all strapping young couples, this crew will be heavily overweighted on the female side: there will be a "father," a butler and one male child, a "mother", a female child and at least six "maids."

One of these will get up at 6 o'clock each morning, to clean, to black and then to light the kitchen range; throughout the day, using genuine implements from antique shops, the lost arts of polishing steel knives with wire, frilling fabric with a gophering iron, boiling up starch and trimming wicks in oil lamps will be practised; the "maids" will have two hours off in the afternoon before starting to work again till 10 in the evening, with one afternoon off on Sundays every fortnight.

THE CHILDREN will be dressed, according to one contemporary account, "first in hand-knitted combinations, then a liberty bodice, then knicker linings, then starched knickers; then a spencer; then a white starched petticoat and finally a dress.

Their bedroom will not be heated, though by this stage in history they will have abandoned sleeping several to a bed; it is planned to start the experiment in summer since modern children would not be accustomed to breaking the ice in the bedroom pitcher to wash (the Iron Age lot weren't greatly given to washing, even after their rudimentary "toilet", though we did see one girl scrubbing her hair with clay).

At eight every morning the whole household will assemble for family prayers, at which the children will be taught to battle with their wickedness and to submit themselves humbly to the nursemaid, to mother, to father and to God, in that order.

Doesn't that seem even more remote than all that communal corn-grinding? But I fancy it wouldn't, all the same, if we knew the real rules of the Iron Age people.

What makes one culture different from another is not its pots and its iron, but what people think should be done with them; not whether you fasten your clothes with string or zip-fasteners but who is constrained to wear what clothes; not what jobs are done but who says they are to be done, and why anyone obeys them.

In a real Iron Age, there'd have been a power structure, a magic rune for every action, a set of taboos and myths, traditions and magic — at least if any other primitive culture is anything to go by. And of those, since they didn't have pens and paper, we know nothing.

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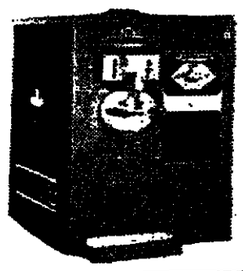

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Reflections of a Nobel Prize winner

A PLEA FOR AN ELITE

By PHILIP GILLON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

SIR Macfarlane Burnet, winner of the Nobel Prize for Medicine in 1960 for his discovery of acquired immunity tolerance to tissue transplants, believes that modern science is consistent with the old-style ethic of the Golden Rule.

It may seem strange that study of the gene or DNA should give rise to moral questions, but this was the theme of the Aharon Katzir Lecture, which he delivered this year at the Weizmann Institute of Science. He called it "A Natural Basis of Ethics: To Understand to be Good."

"It's not so much a case of Bergson's principle, 'It is humanity and not the man that flies'," he says, "but that it is the gene and not individual men that look after our evolution. In a sense, we are excrescences on the immortal line of the gene."

But the fact of the gene moving ever onward does not free men from responsibility for the future.

"Today, as in the past," he says, "it is a still small but increasing minority of scientists and creative technologists who are responsible for continuing movement along the path of understanding."

Thus he makes an unfashionable plea for the rights of what one may call, for want of a better term, an elite. He believes that children of high potential should get special education, based on a recognition of differences in potentiality.

"Somebody must speak up for an elite," he says drily. "It is the outstanding person who makes things happen. There is a tendency to assume today that everybody is exactly the same. Everyone should have equal democratic rights, that is axiomatic, but this does not mean that we are replicas of each other. Such a theory is nonsense, it runs contrary to all human experience.

"THAT IS one reason why I am fascinated by Israel, because of the tremendous contribution the Jews have made to human thought and science, quite out of proportion to their numbers. So I'm opposed to a political elite in any sense, but I favour an elite of scholarship in the broadest sense."

Sir Macfarlane has been knighted three times: he was awarded two imperial knighthoods, and this year headed the Australia Day honours to become a Knight of the Order of Australia.

Now 78, he has decided that it's about time he should retire from the intensive overwork that has been his custom all his life. His programme certainly seems to have agreed with him; he looks spry enough to pass for less than 60.

"As a matter of fact, I'm very much interested in the problem of ageing," he says. "My new book, just out, is called *Endurance of Life*, and deals with ageing and things related to it, like cancer.

"At the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, I gave a lecture on the genetic approach to cancer. A terribly involved subject."

He believes that many avenues exist for new genetic diversity, to quote a sentence from his Weizmann Institute lecture. Does this mean that he approves of what is called genetic engineering, playing around with the genes of a human being?

"I think it's a very interesting way of approaching a deeper understanding of genetics. It may have commercial value. I certainly don't see the terrible dangers that the pessimists warn us about, but won't say dogmatically that there isn't any danger at all.

"ANOTHER subject that is overrated is the danger of nuclear fallout. At one time I opposed mining uranium in Australia. It seemed to me to be a symbol of human violence. But I changed my mind last year. I'm on the side that believes humanity has to take certain minimal risks, and radiation is one, since we have to have the energy.

"Besides, DNA has displayed a remarkable ability to repair itself after damage. This is one of the subjects that is absorbing my attention right now."

For a retired man, he seems to have many irons still in the fire.

"Well, it's a bit of an overstatement to say that I have retired; what I'm trying to cut down is slogging away at work till all hours of the night. But I am still fascinated by genes, DNA, evolution. I don't think humanity is at the end of the road, although I can't say what the end of the road will be. I'd like to contribute my bit towards understanding what's going on as long as I can."

THE PESSAH school holiday proved a fine time for meeting new (feathered) friends at the Children's Town at the Tel Aviv Fairgrounds. (IPPA)

Harsh look at the Founding Fathers

WRITERS AND READERS/Sraya Shapiro

LIKE children who discover that love is not what their parents told them, young students of Zionist history loudly proclaim that the older generation lied to them.

Prof. Yonatan Shapiro brings out a battery of scientific methods, borrowed wholly from the Americans, to show that the Founding Fathers of Israel were a lot of Tammany Hall gangsters, intent only on securing power.

In *Demokratiya be'Israel* (Democracy in Israel), recently published by Massada, Shapiro demonstrates how sociologists err when they ignore the historical process. He produces a book which could easily have been published by *Gossizdat* in its anti-Zionist campaign, except that the arch-enemy of Israeli democracy, the self-elected bureaucrat, is a chit taken from the Soviet system.

The "administrative bureaucracy" in the Histadrut, according to Shapiro, helped the rank-and-file find work, lodgings and health services. But because they were liable for re-election, the administrators were easily swayed by pressure groups to forgo the rules of good government and failed to treat all citizens as equal.

The bulk of the Histadrut membership trusted the leadership which was identified with collectivist ideals. The leader, however made light of "universal administrative norms" and took undue rewards for their pains. And the workers got accustomed to subsidies and developed what Moshe Beilinson termed "a strange attitude" toward public money, as Shapiro notes.

DR. YAEL YISHAI is on firmer ground — because she does not jump to conclusions — in examining why Ahdut Ha'avoda split from Mapai in 1944. *Siatiut bi-Tnuat ha-Ha'avoda* (Factionalism in the Labour Movement), based on the author's doctoral thesis, was recently published by the Histadrut-sponsored *Am Oved-Tarbut ve-Hinukh*.

Ahdut Ha'avoda merged with Hapoel Hatzair in 1930 to form Mapai. But it retained much of its separatist leanings and wanted its autonomy to be recognized officially by the party. This, however, was denied by the majority, led by David Ben-Gurion. In 1942, the party convention at Kfar Vitkin declared factions to be illegal.

There were several reasons for separatism in Ahdut Ha'avoda. One was that its members staunchly opposed Partition. Another was the wholehearted and naive trust in the Great Communist Revolution. Ben-Gurion meanwhile maintained that Yitzhak Tabenkin could adore Stalin as much as he wished on condition that he accepts the majority's rule in practice. It was the year of the Biltmore resolution. Ben-Gurion wished his party to back him in his bid for American support, but found the Ahdut Ha'avoda component irksome.

Yishai dwells mostly on personal rivalries and the technical side of the split. It took Tabenkin's adherents almost two years to organize internally enough to become an independent party.

NOVELISTS, of course, do not need facts to form an opinion. A.B. Yehoshua shuns pragmatism in politics. His world is clearly divided between "right" and "left." He belongs to the latter. The "right" argues that the Arabs want to wipe us out altogether; the "left" believes that they would be content with getting back what they lost in 1967. Yehoshua adopts the latter theory, and that's it. His views are eloquently told in an article in *Emdot* (Standpoints), a compilation of contributions to the ultra dovish monthly *Emda* (published by Massada).

Unlike the quotation-culling academicians, the literary man aspires at an ideology. He wants to know what it means to be a Jew, or a Zionist. The poet *knows* what immense practical force there is in a theory. The Yom Kippur War could have been different, Yehoshua says, not through different military tactics, but if the young men who fought it had been less nihilistic. The danger was as clear as sirens when kibbutz youngsters started saying "Jewish history means nothing to me," or "There's nobody to rely on, not in government, not in the army, nowhere." Such attitudes pointed to a "matter fatigue" in the nation. No wonder the axis broke under the impact of an unexpected shock.

Sociologists, it seems, are poor judges of historical process, second only to philosophers. What happened in the formative years of statehood in Israel was much more complicated, and infinitely more interesting, than mere personal squabbles of half-witted country bumpkins playing at politics.

The challenge to Labour leaders was to create a social body capable of concerted action under trying circumstances. Common ideals and aims were part of the process. The flag-bearers were not all geniuses or saints. If they were, they would have probably not succeeded at all.

Good-bye to the PTA

By HADASSAH BAT HAIM/Special to The Jerusalem Post

THE WHOLE world knows that this is a very special year for us. All of us citizens rejoice that we have now reached maturity. Thirty is a respectable, solid kind of age. Old enough to evaluate our past creations and young enough to plan the future.

Its true that as a nation we look older and act younger than our years justify, but mere survival for so long is no small achievement, so we excuse our behavioural lapses.

Apart from patriotic feelings of joy, I have a private reason for more than quiet satisfaction. Along with the flags and the streamers which we dutifully hang from the verandahs I feel there ought to be a banner proclaiming my personal triumph.

Interspersed among the songs of victory and progress our town's youth orchestra should dedicate a rousing march to my newly acquired felicity. Fire works in great bursts should accompany the announcement that I have now attended my last PTA meeting.

Since our arrival in 1950 to this year of glorious grace 1978, there has not been a respite in my periodical confrontations with representatives of the educational authorities who undertook, no doubt reluctantly, to instill essential data into my children.

Several times each year, through nursery school and kindergarten, through primary school to the dizzy heights of high school, sometimes two lots at the same time in different places, my attendance has been punctual, humble and unwilling.

When they occurred at boarding school, the meetings necessitated long and apprehensive journeys out, followed by long and gloomy journeys home, reminding ourselves unhopefully of famous intellectuals who were duds at school.

There is only one tiny cloud on my rosy horizon. This is a faint envy of parents who are only now launching their children free and gratis onto the seas of advance learning. Having expended vast sums on school fees, sums that would have kept me in modest affluence if not yacht-owning luxury, it is natural to be slightly resentful that others are spared this.

On the other hand, it was worth a good deal not to have the children under my feet all the time. School kept them occupied, if not with studying and applying themselves to their preparation, at least to worrying about it and grumbling about it enough to keep them out of serious mischief.

And come to think of it I wouldn't go through another four years of high school and another matric even if someone were to pay me!

The prospect of not having to repeat the Kings of Israel and Judah one more time and to blandly ignore the philosophical implications of Hamlet is almost too blissful to be envisaged.

No more waiting outside the classroom door listening to other parents' stories of their children's diligence and ambition. Scarcely recognizable, these paragons of virtue, as those of the same name that I hear about from their peers at home.

Never again to bring out hackneyed old phrases like "Yes, of course I'll talk to him/her about it" or "Well, I must point that out immediately" or "I understand the situation in math is very serious," knowing full well I might as well keep my mouth shut.

It has often been difficult to see in the teachers the bullying slave-drivers who have misunderstood my children so unfairly. Goodbye to all that tightrope diplomacy trying to reconcile two basically irreconcilable elements.

Goodbye too, to sitting at the school gate ready to give the alarm. Rained on and baked, fighting off cold chills, flies and boredom. Henceforth my guard duty will be confined to the cellar under the Town Hall, hoping that the phone will not ring.

Nobody who has not actually accompanied one or more children up to the end of their schooldays can appreciate the lightness that floods the heart when it is over. There may be some parents who found this period rewarding and stimulating and who never felt the need to commiserate, apologise and comfort all at the same time. I have heard of such, basking in the praise and compliments showered on their offspring, but I never met any.

As we crawl, my daughter and I, towards the final exams, I remind her that schooldays are said to be the happiest days of one's life. Not for students, she assures me. Maybe for parents.

I deny this emphatically and reckon from what I've seen of their trials, not for the teachers either. The old adage surely must have meant school *holidays*, we decide.

So amid the general scenes of glee and together with the singing and dancing I shall have an extra factor to relish. Another cause for congratulation: a bonus in blessings. School is out! and this year it's Out out, never, for me, to be in again.

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JUDO FOR JUNIORS — Lester Millman photographed action at the Tel Aviv youth judo meet, which continues through Thursday at Beit Barbour.

Stress in Israeli society

By LEA LEVAVI / Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A 10-year-old boy who had been bicycling down the coastal road with his Scout troop the day of the terrorist massacre refused to go to school or to leave the house alone for several days after the incident. His worried mother contacted a psychologist friend, Prof. Noah Milgram, for advice.

"This obviously isn't a mental disorder requiring intervention of a psychologist or a psychiatrist," Milgram said. "It's an example of the everyday, normal stress Israelis face."

Milgram used this example to point up the problems of stress in the society, problems which will be discussed in depth at a four-day international conference on psychological stress in times of war and peace. The conference will be held June 19 to 23 at the Binyenei Haooma in Jerusalem and is expected to attract thousands of social scientists from Israel and abroad.

This is the second such conference held here; the first, organized after the Yom Kippur War, took place at the Tel Aviv Hilton in January, 1975.

Milgram is organizing the conference together with another colleague at Tel Aviv University, Prof. Avner Ziv. Both teach in the Psychology Department and in the School of Education. Neither devotes his day-to-day research to the study of stress. "But we consider it our national responsibility to deal with these problems," Milgram said.

Topics to be discussed at the conference will include rehabilitation of war wounded, widows and bereaved parents. One study will be a comparison between bereaved parents in Israel and their counterparts in the U.S.

ONE conclusion of that study is that Israelis have a slightly easier time of dealing with their mourning because there are ceremonies and organizational frameworks to help them through the difficult period.

The stress suffered by soldiers in combat will also be discussed. An army psychiatrist, Prof. Theo de Graaf, will give a paper on what kinds of men are most likely to suffer from battle shock. In general, he says that unmarried men with inadequate fathers, or married men whose wives are very dependent on their husband's being a "real he-man," are most likely to break down under stress either during or after combat.

Still another broad area which the conference will consider is the stress faced by the general public during time of war, terrorist attack or other emergency situation.

"On the basis of what we have learned in the area of dealing with stress, I was able to advise that mother," Milgram said. "I suggested that she take the child back to the area where he had been bicycling when he heard the shooting. They should recreate and talk about the incident, emphasizing his bravery in turning around and cycling in the opposite direction instead of becoming paralyzed with fear.

"We will also talk about stress inoculation," Milgram went on. "It is possible that by preparing people for stress situations, such as by having TV programmes or school lessons on how to deal with being in an air raid shelter, people will be better able to deal with the problems when they arise in real life."

THE WEEKEND TOOTHACHE

By MACABEE DEAN / Jerusalem Post Reporter

By MACABEE DEAN,
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Why does an excruciating toothache strike over the weekend? Simply because you haven't followed the oldest rule of the dental profession: visit your dentist every six months for a checkup.

This is stated by Dr. Ariel Ben-Amar, chairman of the Committee of the First Aid Dental Clinic which is run on weekends by the Tel Aviv branch of the Israel Dental Association.

"Most patients who turn up here haven't seen their dentist in a year — if not more," he says. "Moreover, surprisingly few cases come here because they suffer from post-extraction bleeding or other dental treatment carried out just before the weekend, although we do have a few cases of this type, since either their dentist has no telephone, or he has gone away for the weekend."

Set up two years ago to relieve the pressure on the emergency admission wards of the hospitals and Magen David Adom, the First Aid Clinic is open only on Friday evenings from nine to midnight, and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. There is always one dentist and one assistant on duty during these hours.

Anyone calling the clinic's number, 285392, any other time is told by the secretary on duty to check the list of dentists in the Golden Pages.

The first aid clinic offers probably the cheapest prices for professional care in Tel Aviv; but on the other hand it only undertakes to do emergency treatment, mainly stifling pain. This, however, generally calls for X-rays and often for an extraction. The fee for any visit is IL120 — "while most private dentists will charge much more than this."

DR. BEN-AMAR feels that some of the patients know of the low price and exploit the service, waiting for the weekend for an extraction. But there is nothing to be done about it except pull out the tooth.

About 25 patients turn up over an average weekend — and this is "simply not enough to pay for running the service. Although the Tel Aviv Municipality has pitched in with a generous contribution to cover the loss, we want to pay our own way," he says.

During a recent month, the clinic cost IL11,239 to run; income was only IL9,170.

The First Aid Clinic has even advertised for patients, informing desk clerks at all Tel Aviv hotels to send tourists, asked drug stores to put up signs, informed all hospitals and MDA stations, and even placed ads in community papers.

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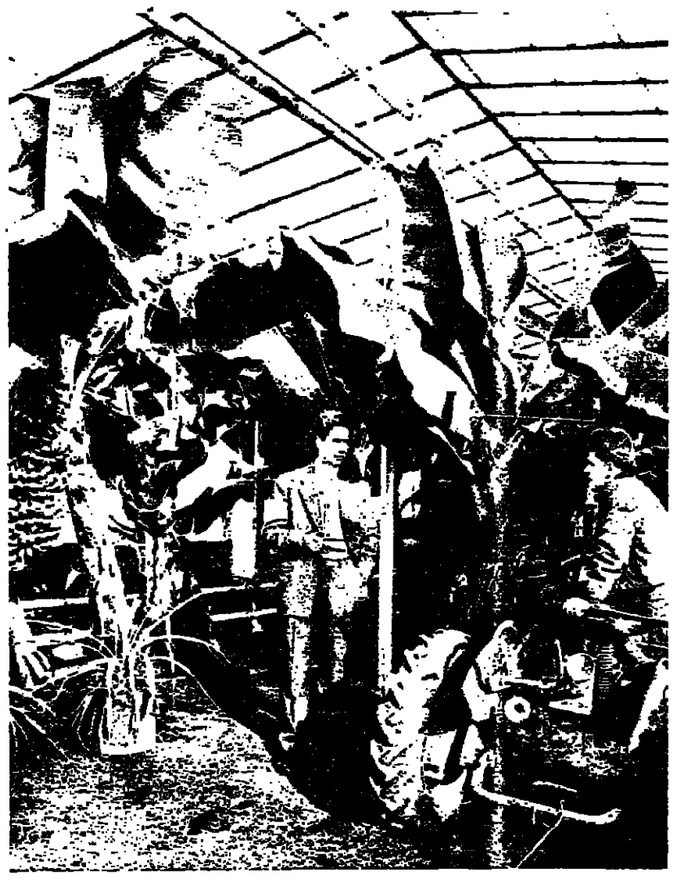

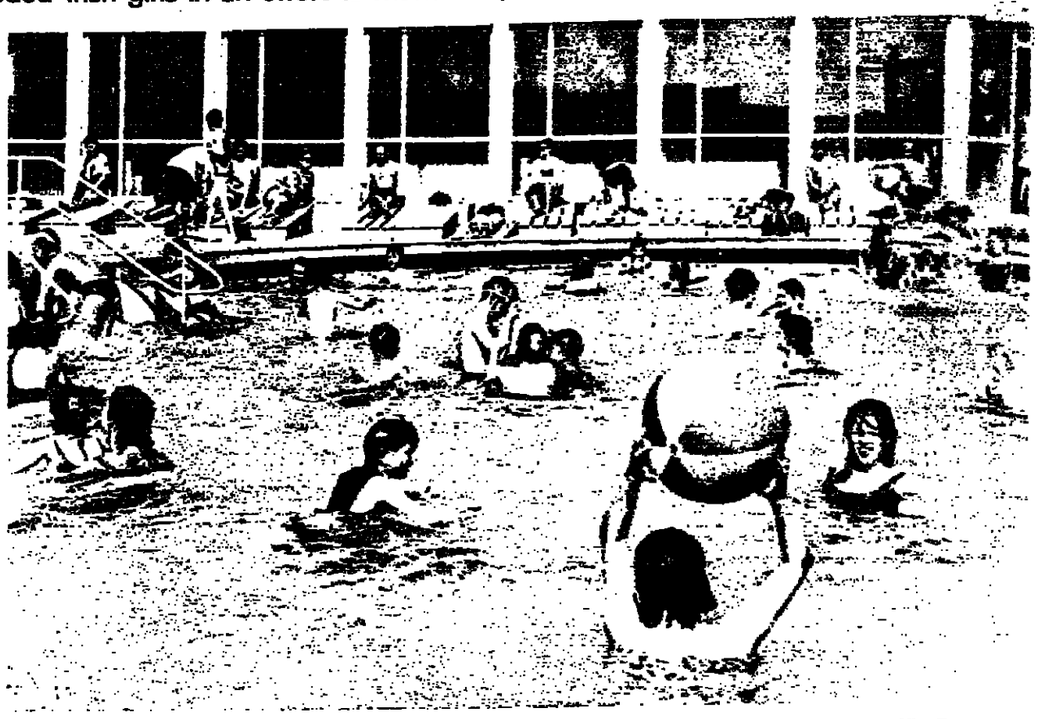

The wonders of hot houses warmed by hot springs, green grapes (left) and banana trees (above). At right, a pool in Reykjavik, one of several for a people whose national sport is swimming. Pools are open year-round with heating provided by piped-in water from hot springs.

REYKJAVIK, Iceland. — The Jews are the People of the Book, but the Icelanders are the People of the Books, which refers not only to their famous Sagas of bygone years, but also to their extraordinary per capita consumption of reading material today.

While 3.5m. Israelis publish about 4,000 titles a year, or about one book for every 875 persons, the 213,000 Icelanders publish about 450 titles a year, or about one book for every 475 persons.

Devouring reading material is only one similarity between Israel and Iceland. Another is inflation, which was 49 per cent here in 1975 but dropped to 33 per cent in 1977. Iceland also has an adverse balance of trade. But perhaps the greatest similarity is the physical isolation each country suffers. The reasons for this are different. But their responses to isolation have been quite similar.

But first a bit of history.

Iceland has had a blood-chilling name — undeservedly so — ever since Irish sailors in the eighth century set eyes on this glacial, volcanic island below the Arctic Circle in the North Atlantic.

The sailors, according to local folk tales, took one hard look around and went home. But later a few Irish monks and hermits did return to stay for some years. Then they also left.

THE SECOND wave of potential settlers were Norwegian Vikings who arrived in open boats. They also decided against staying.

But about 874, the first permanent Viking settlers arrived, led by Ingolfur Arnarson and his foster brother Hjorleifur. They were fleeing oppression in their native Norway, and they had a good reason for staying — or at least for not returning to Norway.

These Vikings, and subsequent ones, solved the problem of keeping warm during the long Arctic winter nights in two ways.

The first was to raid Ireland and kidnap warm-blooded Irish girls for wives; the second was to tap the heat of the abundant hot springs from which the water gushes at temperatures of about 100°

These two methods have stamped their imprint on Iceland until this day. Not only do some Icelanders have definite Celtic features, but also evident is the Irish temperament of "blowing up" and letting off steam, much like the volcanic eruptions which are an integral part of the island's life.

Moreover, today about 50 per cent of the homes in Iceland, especially in Reykjavik, the capital, are heated by tapping hot springs. The percentage is soon to rise to 70 per cent.

Yet despite its location, the name Iceland is a misnomer, as is Reykjavik, which means "smoky bay."

True, Reykjavik is often overcast, since the steam from the hot springs creates a grey sky, but the air is still undoubtedly the cleanest of any capital in Europe.

As for being a land of ice, all the permanent glaciers, including Vatnajokull, the largest in Europe, cover only about 11.5 per cent of the total 103,000 square kilometres of the island.

TWO FACTORS keep Iceland from turning into one huge glacier. A branch of the Gulf Stream washes the coast, and the prevailing southwesterlies over the western Atlantic bring both warm sea water and warm air. It is rare that any of the ports are frozen over and inaccessible.

If anything, the climate in the few settled parts of the island is comparable to that of Scandinavia. However, the summers are much cooler than generally supposed, which makes it pleasant for long hikes into the interior.

At any rate, more persons have frozen to death in Israel in the past decade than in Iceland — mainly because the Icelanders know how to avoid the cold and how to dress for it. Those who spend a lot of time outdoors not only wear warm clothes to keep the "chill-factor" to a minimum, but also heavy underwear known in Iceland as "the Fatherland."

Both Iceland and Israel are physically isolated. Iceland is surrounded by the sea and lies off the beaten track of passenger vessels. Israel, with its closed borders, also has no land links and exists like an island.

Israel met its problem by setting up El Al to provide a constant air link, and establishing Zim to provide a sea link.

Iceland always had a strong fleet of fishing vessels, but it proved impossible to attract many passenger vessels in transit. The air solution was adopted by Iceland years before it was in Israel.

ICELANDAIR was founded in the 1930s; Loftleidir Icelandic in 1944. After cutting each other's throats for years, the two merged in 1973.

To get passengers to fly either line, and to fly via Iceland, they offered cheap trans-Atlantic fares. At first this meant using slower planes, but gradually they bought modern aircraft, and managed to keep fares lower by packing the planes.

Thus, Icelandic anticipated Freddie Laker's North Atlantic "Skytrain" by years — and today Iceland is watching Laker's success with consternation. Its counteraction has been to offer a special package price for a one or two day stayover for anyone wanting to break his flight, in Iceland.

Despite Laker, traffic figures for 1977 show a 4.3 per cent increase over 1976. Icelandair, Loftleidir Icelandic and a sister company, Air Bahama (which flies between Luxembourg and Nassau), carried some 689,090 paid passengers on scheduled flights last year.

Diversification was the next step Iceland sought after breaking its isolation. It had long relied on exporting fish, just as Israel in the past depended heavily on its citrus exports.

Both countries today, however, have gone into industrialization and services in a big way. Currently, about 18 per cent of the Icelandic population engages in manufacturing, and 24 per cent in services — many in tourism.

Since Iceland has immense reserves of hydroelectric power, it plans to move into aluminum refining on a big scale. As for tourism, some 75,000 "real" tourists, as distinct from passengers in transit, arrive each year. The majority come from the U.S., followed by Scandinavia, Germany, France, Italy, Austria, and the rest from 20 other countries.

EUROPEANS usually tour for seven to 14 days, often including "safaris" into the inner recesses of Iceland, much of which is still unexplored and wildly beautiful. They travel either on sturdy, shaggy-haired ponies or in four-wheel drive cars. Roads are almost non-existent in the interior, and the paths are rough enough to shake both teeth and kidneys loose.

There are small hostels in tiny towns and hamlets in outlying places. The comfortable hotels are in the cities, and these hotels are doing their best to attract international conventions — just as Israel does to break international isolation.

Both countries try to derive the maximum out of agriculture. Israel made its achievements in irrigation, mechanization and research stations; Iceland decided to extend its short summer growing season, which allowed the growth of such cold climate items as cabbage, potatoes, and beets, by building hothouses heated by the hot springs with cheap electricity providing artificial sunlight.

In these hothouses, tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and flowers are grown in commercial quantities. But they also grow some grapes, bananas and figs, as well as some coffee beans. It is strange to see a banana tree basking in artificial heat and artificial light when a very non-artificial blizzard is raging outside.

Farms also produce meat and dairy products, with sheep providing the rich wool for which Iceland is famous. Fish of course remains a staple.

Of the mutton, perhaps the most famous is the smoked sheep; of the dairy products, it is a yogurt called "skyr" on which sugar is liberally sprinkled; and of the numerous types of sea food, the most talked about is cured shark.

YOUR HOST will offer you a small cube of cured shark, explaining carefully and humourously that it is barely palatable, and that it was poisonous before it was cured by burying it outside for a long time, and that even Icelanders have trouble stomaching it due to its taste and odour — unless they wipe out the taste by large swigs of an ice-cold (slightly kummel flavoured) schnapps.

And then your host waits gleefully for you to taste it and throw up. But when you ask for a second portion without vomiting, noting that the taste is "interesting," he goes into a state of minor shock. The only conclusion is that the Icelanders have built up a legend about the shark meat as an excuse to down the schnappa in huge quantities. (Icelanders like to drink, so much so that the government has decreed Wednesday as a "dry" day. But they compensate for it during the Friday, Saturday and Sunday weekend.)

If there is anything wrong with the Icelandic cuisine so rich in a variety of delicious sea foods, it is the beer. It is not only weak and watery, but has only about two per cent alcohol. Even Israel makes better beer.

Icelandic women never needed to adopt the "Ms." title to prove their independence.

Both men and women use the system of "patronymics." This means that the children's surnames are formed from the first name of their father with the addition of "son" or "dottir" (daughter). Thus, Alfred the son of Jon Petursson is called Alfred Jonsson, and Helga, the daughter of Jon Petursson is called Helga Jonsdottir.

And when a woman marries, she does not take her husband's name, but retains her own family name.

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e Joseph Russillo Ballet Theatre.

Beautiful, bare, ballet people

HAT beautiful people there are in : Joseph Russillo Ballet Theatre! the performance (April 23) at 5 n. in the Jerusalem Theatre, most them were nearly nude — the men aring only jock-straps and at least o of the women bare-breasted. The st were in skin-close tights.

As they moved through the slow Requiem," choreographed by ussillo (indeed the whole ogramme was his), there was time admire them all, most notably niel Agesilas, a splendidly built traordinarily long-armed dancer o represented the Divine Spirit in- eries of scenes interpreting verses om Genesis. Despite his height, he s supple and expressive in action and he had much to contend with. seph Russillo himself was the rk Spirit, in a black half-dinner, lf-Spanish suit that made his an, incisive movements all the ore sinister.

The first act was the best part of e ballet, with dazzling girls like eatrice Camurat and Rejane uarre, with Emmanuelle Damaye d Christophe Daum in the Garden Eden and with the choreography osely conjuring up forces within e inspired text.

Thereafter interest sagged. Act II as emotive enough with its New estament imagery, Daniel Agesilas en donning a crown of thorns and nging on the cross, and Salome rrying John the Baptist's head on ray. The total effect in this and the her two acts (set to music by auré, Sciortino and Verdi) was that was all too long and too literal, ven with compensations in the agnificent dancing, the sculptured rouping and the excellent lighting hat often gave the stage the quality f a Poussin painting.

For an afternoon show, when arents bring their children, this as hardly the right choice, but it

DANCE
Dora Sowden

did show something unusual stirring in French dance. The training seemed still strongly classical, even where the trend was most modern — and France still seemed to be producing outstanding male dancers.

At 9 p.m. (or shortly after), the programme offered three works of which the most engaging was "Vibrations" set to odd music (or rather sounds) by Patrice Sciortino. The dozen or more dancers had donned white, one-piece trouser-suits and carried on a continuous leaping, jumping, sliding, rolling, somersaulting, high-stepping, high-kicking, turning and twirling.

The mobile gaiety made the company look like a crowd — and that is one of Joseph Russillo's achievements. He can make a dozen look like a multitude. His quality as a dancer was next emphasized in a "Romeo and Juliet" duet with Emmanuelle Damaye, accompanied by a third dancer whom I couldn't identify and who appeared as a combination of Friar, Mercutio and even Tibalt.

Programme notes gave the composer's name as Gounod, but it turned out to be Puccini ("Madame Butterfly" at that). Here Russillo made the most of his virtuosity in turns — spinning like a top, swinging the girl as if she was weightless. Though slight in build, his body eloquence inevitably focused attention on his supremely clear line.

This was true even in the "Memoirs for Tomorrow," where the whole company came out in brilliant white — the women in the wide-skirted dresses and ornamental hats of the '90's, the men trousered, waist-coated and wing-collared, without jackets. Yet Russillo had little to add to the recollections of time past, already so much worked over by other choreographers. Only in the curtain tableaux and finally in the crazy motions called forth by the massively enthusiastic applause did he prove he could have done better with this ballet (music: Jacques Lejeune with snatches from Berlioz).□

IN the latest programme presented by the Batsheva Dance Company, Valery Panov appeared as dancer and choreographer — and as both was terrific. At the Jerusalem Theatre (April 22), his turns in the air, his leaps, his sureness in lifts and holds and the incisiveness of his mime showed his tremendous stature as a character dancer. As choreographer in "The Lady and the Hooligan," he created a wonderful vehicle for his powers — but he did more.

"The Lady and the Hooligan" had a full-flavoured life with much-used 1920 ingredients that nevertheless produced something different. The satirical ballet cliches here took on a new twist. When Valery and Galina Panov previously appeared in an excerpt from this ballet they gave it a Russian accent. Now, in its fuller form, though still based on the Boyarsky original, the idiom could belong anywhere. In one scene where schoolgirls meet boy students in the park, the costuming and dance style showed the Russian basis — perhaps also in the tragic ending. For the rest, it could be 1920 in Paris, London or New York.

Valery Panov used multi-media for quick-change scenes — park, cafe, street. Costumes and sets (by Lydia Pinkus Gany) were in the good old style but with a novel touch to match the hyper-dramatic "story." The Shostakovich piano music (recorded and amplified) fitted the tango-type apache world, the sentiment of the love duets, the comedy of the crowds, the frenzy of fistfights.

Galina Panov as "The Lady" danced with a pink-and-white virginal purity in dress and looks. When she removed the Hooligan's hat, her righteous decorum had the right kind of powerful innocence. The smoothness of her backward "travel" on toes was exquisite.

Yet it was Valery Panov who "made" the ballet in more senses than one.

Due credit must be given to the company, and particularly to Nira Paaz and Douglas Nielson as underworld types. If there was any shortcoming, it was in the lighting, which was frequently too dark at the distance where I sat. Valery Panov often moved so swiftly that the spotlight didn't always keep up with him. Also, because of insufficient glow on the black floor and because he wore black trousers, some of his finest leaps and turns were only dimly seen. Even so, very few ballets have evoked such enthusiasm.

The two others were "repeats." Galina Panov was as flawless in Sanasardo's "Meditations on an Open Stage" as when I saw her in Tel Aviv, Rahamim Ron again was an admirable partner and the company was good. Yair Vardi's "As I Wish" was new in that Tamar Tzafrir was partnered in this strenuous interesting duet by Roger Briant about whom one may say that Vardi himself didn't dance better in his own ballet.

Unqualified delight

MUSIC REVIEWS

RECITAL BY PINCHAS ZUKERMAN, VIOLINIST, AND MARC NEIKRUG, PIANIST (Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv, April 20). Schubert: Rondo brillant in B minor, Op.70; Fauré: Sonata in A Major, Op.13; Marc Neikrug: Ysaye: "Reve d'enfant;" Prokofiev: March from the opera "Love of Three Oranges;" Tartini: Variations on a Theme by Corelli; Stravinsky: Suite Italienne.

THIS concert was an unqualified delight. For the first time, Zukerman included a variety of items, covering a wide range of idioms, techniques and styles. Tartini on the one hand, and Neikrug's contemporary pieces on the other, allowed Zukerman to show how completely at home he is in all idioms and to what a surprising extent he can exercise control over contrasting and very different material.

He introduced contrast and excitement into the Schubert Rondo, making it sound much more meaningful than it usually does. Marc Neikrug's "Three Fantasies" were a surprise both as music and as a performance. The pieces, improvisatory in form and texture, radiated atmosphere. They combine somewhat modern melodic lines with dissonant, colourful keyboard textures, creating a pleasant, intimate mood. With Zukerman and the composer at the piano, the pieces could not have had a more convincing and dedicated advocacy.

Ysaye's "Rêve" demonstrated the magnificent cantible quality of Zukerman's tone and showed how even in pieces such as this, sentimentality can be easily avoided.

Prokofiev provided a welcome contrast. The two musicians, resolute and strong in tone, rhythm and phrase, gave an incisive and determined performance. Tartini's variations provided an example of how the music of the golden age of Italian violin music can be presented with meticulous attention to detail while preserving all the lightness and a charming playfulness of the music. In a way, the highlight of the evening was Stravinsky's neo-classical Suite. Zukerman, immensely delicate and graceful in phrasing, with a melting beauty of tone, revealed the boundless beauties of the six movements with an elegance and a good-humoured lightheartedness that brought down all barriers of communication.

In all the pieces Mr. Neikrug provided sound, though I would say, not too imaginative, piano parts.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

PAUL BADURA-SKODA, piano recital ("Spring in Jerusalem," Jerusalem Theatre, April 19). All Schubert: Four Impromptus, opus 90. "Wanderer" — Fantasy, opus 15; "Atzenbrugger" Dances; Sonata in A minor, opus 42.

BADURA-SKODA is a most competent pianist, experienced and mature, and one would be inclined to think he is eminently suited for an all-Schubert programme, considering his Viennese background and a name apparently pointing to a Czech lineage. It may be that the artist's well-considered intention was to underplay Schubert's "Sing-Freudigkeit" ("Love of Singing") although this interpretation led unavoidably to the other extreme — academic dryness.

This was particularly apparent in the monumental "Wanderer," which has quite a few spots of laboured, brittle texture normally overcome by dynamic pianists with overwhelming drive and tempestuous energy. In this performance, nothing went wrong. All the danger spots were meticulously executed without loss of notes or over-all control. Yet one could not help imagining the ticking of the metronome in the background.

On the other hand, there were lovely phrases and beautiful sonorities in the waltzes, and the final sonata showed comfortable, long-range planning, coupled with evenly flowing digital eloquence. The audience loved it all: two encores were added — Moment musical, opus 94, No.6 and a charming, little waltz — to end a melodious and pleasant, if not overwhelmingly exciting, evening.

YOHANAN BOEHM

The Berlin Philharmonic Octet is coming to Israel soon and will appear in the major cities and at kibbutzim.

Rich musical calendar

Artists and ensembles now visiting Israel and coming soon include:

- The Netherlands Opera from Amsterdam to perform "The Emperor of Atlantis" for the festival at Ein Gev and the Spring Festival in Jerusalem.
- The Vocal Ensemble from Marburg, West Germany, to appear with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra and in concerts of its own (the latter with Bach works).
- Giuseppe Garbarino, an Italian clarinet soloist, who will present an interesting programme with works by Berg, Donizetti, Debussy, Testi and Martinu (Tel Aviv Museum, May 4).
- George Zukerman, the famous bassoon soloist from Vancouver for a few appearances on his way to South Africa (presuming El Al is flying again and he can catch a plane to South Africa, as only El Al flies from here to South Africa).
- The following stars for an Independence Day programme at Jerusalem's Mitchell Gardens (between Yemin Moshe and the Old City walls) on May 11 : Isaac Stern, Mstislav Rostropovich, Jean-Pierre Rampal, Daniel Barenboim, Yitzhak Perlman, Leontyne Price (and others), with Zubin Mehta conducting the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.
- The Octet of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra to perform the Clarinet Quintets by Mozart and Brahms and the Octet by Schubert. They will appear in the major towns and at kibbutzim (under the auspices of *Omanut L'Am* (Art for the People). The proceeds from their appearances in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and Haifa will go to a scholarship fund for underprivileged youth within the framework of the "Sharett Fund" of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation.
- The Youth Symphony Orchestra of the Staedtische Musikschule, Braunschweig (West Germany), as the guests of their sister city Tivon, and they will appear in Jerusalem as part of a visit with the Jerusalem Youth Band. They will also play in Beersheba.

(For further information see "The Poster" in every Friday's *Post*.)

Kathleen Quinlan, left, portrays a disturbed girl, and Bibi Andersson is her psychiatrist in "I Never Promised You a Rose Garden."

Fight for sanity

CINEMA/Domini Keeble

I NEVER PROMISED YOU A ROSE GARDEN (Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv) Starring Kathleen Quinlan and Bibi Andersson. Directed by Anthony Page.

ORCA (General release) Starring Richard Harris and Charlotte Rampling. Directed by Michael Anderson.

JOANNE Greenberg's 1964 novel about a schizophrenic teenager's struggle to relinquish her fantasy life for the real world was a powerful success. Anthony Page's film, starring Kathleen Quinlan as the teenager, Deborah Blake, and Bibi Andersson as her psychiatrist, Dr. Fried, is an oversimplified rendering of the original, with occasional bursts of brilliance.

Recoiling from human affection, Deborah is locked in a self-created kingdom of flamboyant, cruel gods with their own language and rituals. She is terrified of betraying them. As Dr. Fried penetrates the secret world of Deborah's gods, the suicidal girl learns to step consciously into life. It is a desperate process with failure always round the corner. In the asylum surroundings where Deborah lives, there are horrific cases of madness, which emphasize the delicate balance of Deborah's case. However the too passive, too beautiful Dr. Fried is not sufficiently convincing as a critical factor in saving a desperate girl's sanity. Also lacking is the depth of confrontation leading towards Deborah's healing — so strongly described in the book. This leaves an audience-involvement gap, despite Kathleen Quinlan's superbly controlled acting. The film does not compare with the force or style of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" but is, in its own way, fascinating.

CRUISING off the Newfoundland coast in a hunt for a valuable great white shark, commercial fisherman Captain Nolan fouls up a marine-biology experiment and encounters his first orca, a killer whale.

Excited by the incredible sight and scorning the cautionary advice of Professor Rachel Bedford, the marine biologist, he sets off in pursuit of a shoal of orcas, determined to land one. Firing a harpoon, he misses the largest and strikes a smaller, female whale. His crew haul the bleeding screeching creature aboard and its near-human reactions fill Nolan with terror. The dead female's mate registers Nolan in his memory, devastates a whole fishing village and finally drives Nolan and his crew north into the arctic iceflows, where he stages his final battle.

"Orca" is a seriously handled whale's-eye view of the world. The photography and special effects are extraordinarily clever, and the terror is understandably human, rather than shocking one Hitchcock-style. The film proposes a parallel between the whale's loss and Nolan's loss of wife and child in a car accident. It presents a sober case in favour of the protection of whales.

Richard Harris appears as the willful Captain Nolan, and Charlotte Rampling plays her chillsome self in the guise of Rachel Bedford.

DOMINI KEEBLE

Presenting Yaffa Yarkoni

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VETERAN Singer **Yaffa Yarkoni** recently opened her own Jaffa nightclub, taking over the Aladdin at 5, Rehov Mifratz Shlomo, Old Jaffa. Her nightly programme features dance music from 8.30 p.m. with showtime — including guest stars — at 9.30 p.m.

PARAGUAY's "singing ambassadors" — The **Los Paraguyas** quintet — are arriving here this week for a month's tour in Israel, opening in Yagur on April 24. Los Paraguayos, currently celebrating their 25th year, have just completed a tour in South Africa. They have appeared in 17 different countries, have eight golden discs to their credit, 80 LP records, and a repertoire of some 800 songs.

ON SUNDAY evening, April 30, the **Cameri Theatre** is presenting a retrospective evening of song from the theatre's performances during the past 33 years. Thirty songs have been selected and the evening is part of the "Spring in Tel Aviv" events, sponsored by the Tel Aviv municipality. Directed by **Shmuel Bunim**, the texts were written by **Ya'acov Shabtai**, with musical arrangements by **Ilan Mochiach**. Actors include **Hanna Marron, Yossi Yadin, Avner Hizkiyahu, Zaharira Harifai** and many other members of the Cameri company, both veterans and younger actors. The evening will also be presented twice a day on May 1, 17 and 18.

"HOW DOES one Star Dare?" is the name of **Matti Caspi** 's new solo show which opened recently with an Ilan benefit evening in Jerusalem. Caspi will be touring with his show until the beginning of May, when he leaves for a series of three performances in Sweden, in Stockholm, Malmo and Gotteburg, in the framework of Israel's 30th anniversary celebrations abroad.

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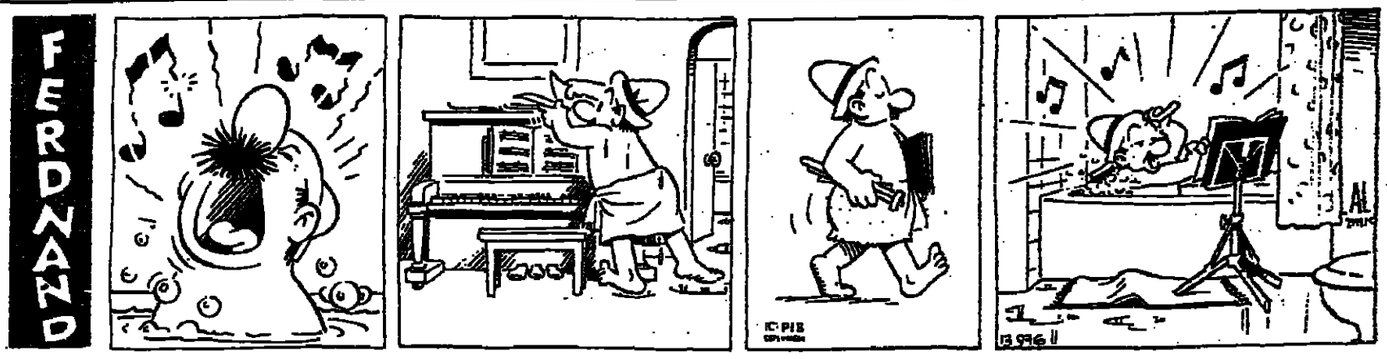

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CINEMAS

Tel Aviv 4.30, 7.15, 9.30

Allenby: Silver Bears; **Ben Yehuda:** I Never Promised You A Rose Garden; **Cinema One:** Orca, the Killer Whale; **Esther:** To Kill a Rat; **Cinema Two:** Annie Hall 10, 12, 2, 4.40, 7.15, 9.30; **Chen:** L'Animal; **Drive-In:** Across the Great Divide, Special Delivery 9.30; **Dekel:** The Turning Point 7, 9.30, Sun. and Wed. also at 4.30. **Gat:** Lady and the Tramp 11, 4, 6, 8; **Gordon:** Roseland; **Hod:** Halahaka! **Limor:** Splendour in the Grass 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Maxim:** Cria Cuervos 7.15, 9.30! **Mograbi:** The Other Side of Midnight 6, 9. **Ophir:** The Devils Brigade 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Orly:** Another Man, Another Chance 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Paris:** Switchboard Operator 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Peer:** Don's Party; **Ramat Aviv:** Gone with the Wind 4, 8; **Royal:** French Governess 10, 2, 4, 7.30, 9.30; **Tchelet:** The Savage Innocents; **Shahaff:** Lemon Popsicle. **Studio:** The Gauntlet; **Tel Aviv Museum:** Hester Street 4.30, 7.30, 9.30. **Zafon:** La Vie Devant Soi.

Ramat Gan
Armon: Lady and the Tramp; **Hadar:** Orca, the Killer Whale 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Lily:** 12 Chairs 7.15 9.30; **Oasis:** Halahaka 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Rama:** Fist of Fury 7.15, 9.30, Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed. also at 4.30; **Ordea:** Lemon Popsicle 7.15, 9.30. **Ramat Gan:** Funny Girl

Herzliya
David: The Gauntlet; **Tiferet:** Star Wars 7, 9.15

Petah Tikva
Shalom: Tentacles 4, 7.15, 9.15

Netanya
Esther: Lemon Popsicle 7, 9.15

Haifa 4, 6.45, 9
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Jerusalem 4, 7, 9
Arnon: Benji 4, Thieves 7, 9; **Eden:** *Orca, the Killer Whale*; **Edison:** Ben Hur 4, 8; **Habirah:** S.T.A.B.; **Jerusalem:** To be or not to be 7.30, 9.30; **Small Auditorium, Binyenei Ha'ooma:** Face to Face 7, 9.30, Azit of the Paratroopers 10.30, 4; **Kfir:** Halahaka; **Orgil:** Mary Poppins 3.30, 6.30, 9; **Mitchell:** La Vie Devant Soi; **Orion:** The Gauntlet 4, 6.45, 9; **Oraa:** The Other Side of Midnight 4, 8.30; **Ron:** Lemon Popsicle; **Semadar:** Operation Thunderbolt 10.30, 3, 7, 9.15.

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First Programme

7.07 Morning Melodies
8.10 (Stereo): Morning Concert — Mozart: Symphony No. 41 in C Major, K. 551, Jupiter (Jochum); Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 3 (Rubinstein, Barenboim); Bartok: Concerto for Orchestra (Ozawa)
10.05 Music by Mozart
10.35 Radio story
10.45 Lesson in spoken Arabic
10.50 Problems concerning senior citizens (repeat)
11.25 Music from different lands — Pessah Sedera
12.05 (Stereo): Alberto Portughese, piano — Rameau: Suite No. 2 in A Minor; Ginastera: Sonata (1952); Liszt: Waltz Impromptu
13.00 (Stereo): Noon Concert — Ballet of the Chickens 16th Century; Dittersdorff: Symphony Bizet: Rome, Concert Suite No. 3
14.10 Literary party
15.55 Notes on a new book
16.05 Smetana: Overture to The Bartered Bride; Prokofiev: Peter and the Wolf (Mendi Rodan); Haydn: Symphony No. 101 in D Major, Clock
17.20 Music Quiz
20.30 (Stereo): Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, Avi Ostrovsky conducting, with Pani Badura-Skoda, piano — Mozart: Kyrie, K. 341; Piano Concerto in C Minor, K. 491; Schubert: Symphony No. 8 in B Minor, Unfinished; Mendelssohn: First Walpurgis Night, Op. 60
23.00 The arts in Israel 1976-1978 (repeat)
00.10 (Stereo): Choral music

Second Programme

12.30 Israeli songs
14.10 Around the world through song
15.05 Sephardi songs
16.10 First Applause — talent show
17.10 Court House
18.19 Weekly journal on religious life
18.43 Sports commentary
19.00 People and events in the news
19.47 Bible Reading: Song of songs
20.05 Broadcasting Hour (repeat)
21.05 Cantorial music
22.05 *Am Yisrael Hai* — monthly magazine on Jewish communities in Israel and abroad
23.05 The Apple and The Tree — discussion of problems between parents and children. Listeners can call 03-256225 to ask questions of a psychologist in the studio

Army Radio

9.05 Morning Party — Music; "Red Line" — Listeners may call 03-822292 the moment something newsworthy happens
12.05 Songs, regards
12.45 Fifteen Minutes — a brief survey of current events in Israel and around the world
13.05 Hebrew songs
13.30 "5708" — 30 years ago today — live recording
14.05 Hiking — Suggestions for trips and hikes in Israel
16.05 The Third Man — A panel tries to guess which of 3 guests is the person they all claim to be
17.45 Sports magazine
18.05 Doctors answer listeners' questions on health
19.05 My Library — Moshe Yaari talks about his collection of Haggadas for Pessah
19.50 "5708" (repeat)
20.05 University on the Air — Dr. Yehuda Freed lectures on psychopathology
20.55 Lesson in spoken Arabic
21.05 Progressive music
23.05 Tonight — interviews, debates, music
00.05 Night Birds — songs, chat
02.05 An hour of jazz

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First Programme
10.15-10.35; 11.15-11.35 Programmes *for Schools.*
13.55 Music programme announcements.
14.10 Stories for children.
15.05 A moment for Hebrew grammar.
17.55 Notes on agriculture
00.10 Informal discussion
Second Programme
6.00 Prayer and Mishna reading
6.10 Gymnastics
6.55 Programme announcements
6.59 A moment for Hebrew grammar.
8.10 Popular tunes (until 10.00)
10.05 Here at Hom — songs, interviews on topics assumed to be of interest to women
12.05 Productive Pace — for workers and employers
12.30 Hebrew songs
18.45 Today's sports
01.05 A moment of poetry

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SELECTIONS
French
7.15 (Fourth, Fifth) 15 min. including review of Hebrew press
14.30 (Fourth, Fifth) 30 min.
18.05 (Fourth) 5 min.
20.15 (Fourth) 15 min.
22.30 (Fifth) 25 min.
24.00 (Fifth) 30 min.
Yiddish 6.25, 18.30 (First)
Hungarian 19.15 (Fifth) 15 min. Saturdays (First) 30 min.
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to Nahariya: 6.20, 9.06*, 13.14, 15.06, 17.29.
to Beersheba & Dimona: 15.37.
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Visiting hours: Israel Museum: Sun. Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tue. 4-10 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **Shrine of the Book, Billy Rose Art Garden:** Sun., Mon., Wed., Thur. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tue. 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **Rockefeller Museum:** Sun. — Thur. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri., Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tickets for Sat. and holidays must be purchased in advance at the Museum, Cahana or major Jerusalem hotels; in Tel Aviv at Rococo, Hadran and Kastel. **Free guided tours in English,** Sun., Wed., 11.00 a.m., Tues. 4.30 p.m. from upper entrance hall.

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MISCELLANEOUS
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Tel Aviv

MUSEUMS
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3) **Museum of the History of Tel Aviv-Yafo** (27 Rehov Bialik)
4) **The Israel Theatre Museum** (3 Rehov Melchett)

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15 Vessel tax? (3)
17 One of those opportunities? (4)
18 Can it bleat in E minor? (6)
19 Giants getting a fluke goal for the reserves (5)
20 Plan to hem in? (6)
22 More French to make us cross (4)
24 One must do so in all weathers (3)
25 Talk wildly about mad Del being happy (7)
26 It is slow to cause Poles trouble? (5)
27 Something to tune and play (5)
28 Bit of shelter for the hothead (5)
29 Something strikingly devilish (7)
30 Physical violence from useless fellows (5)
31 Dramatic remark from Sadie (5)

DOWN
2 One of a Sikh's overheads (6)
3 Protector of the superstitious (6)
4 Photo finish (3)
5 Such photography is very ordinary (5)
6 Mostly *refreshment* rooms? (7)
7 A long way from making seers into seafarers! (4)
8 He came in looking shaken (6)
12 Sweet nonsense (5)
13 Somehow cures blight (5)
14 Punch's inheritance (5)
15 A rogue takes this team in (5)
16 Food and drink (5)
18 Seaman's decoration? (5)
19 A domino shortage, to us, is a bad sign (7)
21 Bottle smashed by the RAF ace (6)
22 Players with high-pitched voices? (6)
23 One club (6)
25 Some primroses to dig up when stiff (5)
26 One of those legal smoothies (4)
28 Rose's drink (3)

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
1 Game (5)
6 Digging-tools (5)
9 Musical performance (7)
10 Wand (5)
11 Cleam (5)
12 Gives pain (5)
13 Mischievous (7)
15 Hardened (3)
17 Taverns (4)
18 Hanging ornament (6)
19 Broadcast (5)
20 Call (6)
22 Take things easy (4)
24 Before (3)
25 Gratifies (7)
26 Loses colour (5)
27 Slight cold (5)
28 Fib (5)
29 Implement (7)
30 Foe (5)
31 Nuisances (5)

DOWN
2 Fighting-woman (6)
3 Flower (6)
4 Female bird (3)
5 Playing area (5)
6 Young attendant (4-3)
7 Troubles (4)
8 Animal accommodation (6)
12 Tree (5)
13 Wash lightly (5)
14 Garden figurine (5)
15 Teams (5)
16 Tries out (5)
18 Handles roughly (5)
19 Author's payment (7)
21 Ragamuffin (6)
22 Child's plaything (6)
23 Confidential (6)
25 Coin (5)
26 Fruit (4)
28 Small eagle (3)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution
ACROSS.—3, Swabs. 8, Feems. 10, Eager. 11, To-N. 12, Br-E-ad. 13, Gold-man. 15, D-I'm-ex. 18, Rod. 19, Plea-se. 21, Sea-mile. 22, Aped. 23, A-Tom. 24, Port-Al'x. 26, Grased. 29, Oil. 31, Saner. 32, Coronas. 34, Hi-son. 35, Won. 36, Spurs. 37, Wedge. 38, A-head.
DOWN.—1, Motor. 2, Hundred-(weight). 4, Worn. 5, Beadle. 6, Sadie. 7, Me-D-es. 9, U'st. 12, Bad-mood. 14, Mea. 16, M-arts. 17, Scamy. 19, Pla-too-n. 20, Hangs. 21, Sedan. 23, Allowed. 24, Peri-sh. 25, Air. 27, R-alph. 28, Zebra. 30, Range. 32, Co-RA. 33, Nod.

Yesterday's Easy Solution
ACROSS.—3, Month. 8, Shrug. 10, Rifle. 11, Lad. 12, Lured. 13, Notice. 15, Media. 18, Ton. 19, Posing. 21, Soldier. 22, Pear. 23, Lean. 24, Snubbed. 26, Nutmeg. 29, Lag. 31, Spear. 32, General. 34, Seals. 35, Nag. 36, Demon. 37, Admit. 38, Needy.

DOWN.—1, Phlox. 2, Auditor. 4, Onus. 5, Tremor. 6, Hides. 7, Plain. 9, Rat. 12, Lending. 14, Col. 16, Diced. 17, Agent. 19, Pebbles. 20, Spins. 21, Saute. 23, Legends. 24, Serene. 25, Ban. 27, Upset. 28, Mason. 30, Magic. 32, Glad. 33, Ram.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE TOMORROW

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Turnover of IL175m. is all-time record

TEL AVIV. — Trading records fell by the wayside yesterday as a total of IL175.4m. worth of equities and convertibles were traded. Prices tended to move lower in reaction to Sunday's "buying panic." The market's liquidity improved considerably over Sunday, as trading took place in most of the shares. On Sunday no less than 54 issues were marked as "buyers only" without many shares changing hands.

It was not all a down-market. Commercial banks, in a record trading session which saw IL110m. change hands, moved higher. Bank Leumi, on a turnover of close to IL8m., advanced by eight points to 667.

Mortgage banks were lower as exemplified by Merva, which lost 5.8 per cent to 326, and Shilton (R), which fell by six per cent to 188. General Mortgage and Tefahot also retreated. Mortgage and Development, however, was ahead by two to 379.

Insurance issues trended lower. Hassneh was down by 33 and Sahar by 43. Zur fell sharply as well.

Delek suffered an eight per cent drop while Israel Cold Storage IL10 was losing a full ten per cent.

Oil Exploration of Paz Ltd., in heavy trading, was unchanged at 218.

Land development and real estate issues were down with a number of shares giving up the gains made on Sunday. Israel Land Development lost 23 to 290. Solel Boneh was 29 down to 581.

Industrials presented more of a mixed pattern. Fertilizers was "buyers only" and was fixed five per cent higher at 515. Dead Sea Works at 773 traded unchanged, but American Israeli Paper Mills lost 19 to 561.

Investment company shares were mixed. Elgar, Ellern and Central Trade all showed up on the plus side. Leumi investments and Discount were slightly down, but Hapoalim was five better.

Index-linked bonds continued to fall, but the rate of the drop was more moderate than on Sunday.

Most Active Issues

Bank Leumi	467	+8	IL7,800,000
IDB Pref. "A"	288	+4	IL4,600,000
IDB	447	+8	IL3,900,000
Shares traded:			IL148.0m.
Convertibles:			IL27.4m.
Bonds:			IL30.6m.

Share index, down 8.30%, to 138.27

		24.4.78	23.4.78
DOLLAR-LINKED DEBENTURES			
% Dead Sea	b	2080	2080
% Dead Sea Junior	r	740	713
% Electric Corp. B.	r	569	569
PURCHASE IN DOLLARS			
Hollis 22		113.6	113.6
% of L. LINKED (principal and interest)			
Absorp. 1966 (1)	b	1134	1134
Absorp. 1967 (1)	b	1110	1115
Bit. 1968 (41)	b	521.5	520
Bit 1969 (41)	b	405	405
Bit. 1969 6.5% (66)	b	557.8	557.8
Bit. 1969 6.5% (91)	b	472.4	476.1
OPTIONALS			
Dev. 296	b		
Dev. 313	b	498	498
Dev. 4% (3001)	b	397.5	399.6
15% Mizrahi (2)	r	360	356
% Leumi (5)	b	362	353
10% Delek	r	279	297
10% Disc. Inv. (72)	b	312	287
BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	436	415
I.D.B. pref.	r	848	842
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	447	444
Union "A"	r	660	660
Discount "A"	r	785	785
United Mizrahi	b	280	280
Hapoalim	b	385	384
Leumi "A"	r	467	459
Gen. Mortgage	b	512	533
Dev. & Mortgage	b	379	377
Housing Mortg.	b	410	411
Tefahot 8% pref.	b	672	680
Tefahot	b	675	710
Merav		326	346
Ind. & Dev. 8% pref.	r	199.5	190
Aryeh	r	826	831
Hassneh Insurance	b	707	740
Sahar — "C"	b	847	890
Zur		712	820
REAL ESTATE, LAND DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	284	299
Africa Israel IL10	r	1434	1434
Isr. Land Dev.		296	313
Solel Boneh-10%		581	610
Property & Building		455	462
Isras		410	425
Mehadrin		1150	1150
I.C.P. Citrus	r	560	560
Neot Aviv	r	468	450
Pri Or Ltd.	b	685	713
Rassco - 8% pref.	r	225	240.5
Rassco	r	217	217
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance - B	r	1410	1410
Elco - 2.5	b	351	351
Electra - 5	r	420	443
Argaman - 8%	b	341	341
Ata - C	r	273.5	273.5
Dubek	b	859	850
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	174	185
Teva	r	778	800
Chem. & Phosphates	r	515	490.5
Lewin Epstein		351.5	351.5
Moller Textile		295	288
Paper Mills	r	561	580
Assis "B"	r	242	242
Nechustan 8% pref.	b	1395	1445
Elite	r	460	475
Shemen - 8% pref.	b	293	298
Frutarom	r	140.5	140
Polgat	r	486	500
Elron IL2	r	590	600
ISP Petrol		168	168
INVESTMENT COMPANIES			
Elgar		405	399
Ellern	b	690	679
Israel Central Trade	r	1022	1010
Hapoalim	b	475	470
Paz	b	414	419
Wolfson - IL10	b	270.5	282.5
Ampa	r	210	226.5
Discount	b	557	560
United Mizrahi	b	450	450
Bank Leumi		665	671
Piryon	r	539	559
Hassuta-Foreign Trade		220.5	220.5
Export Bank	r	269	283
Clal	r	486	486
Clal Industries		384	378
FUEL, OIL AND UTILITIES			
Naphta OTC	r	1150	1150
Lapidoth OTC	r	1600	1600
Jordan Exploration	r	1351	1399
Jordan Warrants		2585	2635
Delek C	r	460	500
Israel Electric Corp.	r	400	420
Paz Oil Explo. Ltd.		218	218

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WALL STREET

Hour before closing, April 24, 1978

ASA Ltd.	—	Fair Cam	32⅝	Mobil	64⅝
Am Motors	—	Ford	49⅝	Monsanto	51¼
Amer. T & T	—	Gen Dynam	50	NCR	49⅜
Atl Rich	—	Gen Foods	28¼	Occ Pet	28
Avco	—	Gen Motors	—	Pan Am	6¼
Avon	50⅝	Gen Tel	30½	Phil Pet	—
Bell How	18⅝	Gen Tire	25⅝	Polaroid	30⅝
Beth St.	23¾	Gillette	27⅞	RCA corp.	28
Boeing	39¾	Grace	26⅜	Royal Dutch	58½
Brist My	32⅞	Gulf West	13⅝	Sears Roe	24⅞
Burroughs	67¼	Gulf Oil	—	Singer	22
CBS Inc.	53	Honywell	49⅞	Sony	8½
Celanese	40	IBM	254	Sperry Rand	35⅝
Chase Man	32¼	Int Paper	39	Teledyne	84¼
Chrysler	12¼	Int. T & T	30⅞	Texaco	26⅝
Coca Cola	41⅛	John John	68⅞	Texas Ins	73⅞
Con Ed	22⅞	LTV	7⅛	TWA	17⅞
Crown Zell	32⅝	Litton	19⅝	Twent Cent	28¼
Curtis Wri	20⅝	Lockheed	23	U.S. Steel	—
Dow Chem	27	Macy	42	West Union	—
Dupont	114	Mcdon-Doug	28½	Woolworth	—
East KDK	50	Merr Lynch	18½	Xerox	—
Exxon	47½	Minn MM	49⅝	Zenith	—

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Kodak leads big market rally

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market, led by Eastman Kodak shares, turned in a strong showing yesterday. Brokers noted a resumption of buying by big financial institutions that powered its sharp rally a week ago.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was up nearly 8 points half an hour before the close. Gainers outpaced losers by a 5 to 3 margin among New York Stock Exchange-listed issues. Trading was active, although nowhere near the record 63.51m.-share pace of last Monday.

Eastman Kodak shares led the active list. Over the weekend the company reported a 50 per cent increase in its first quarter earnings from the comparable period last year. Another plus in the news background was word that machine tool orders set a record in March, with U.S. producers projecting continued strong demand in the months ahead.

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Yesterday's foreign exchange rates against the Israel pound, for U.S. dollar transactions under $3000, and transactions in other currencies under the equivalent of $1000.

	Selling	Buying
U.S.$	16.7350	16.6200
Sterling	30.5053	30.2950
Swiss Fr.	8.5078	8.4500
Belgian Fr. (10)	5.1611	5.1256
Swedish Kr.	3.6000	3.5733
French Fr.	3.5959	3.5742
Danish Kr.	2.9332	2.9131
Austrian Sch. (10)	11.1827	11.1059
Dutch Fl.	7.5205	7.4690
DM	8.0350	7.9840
Italian Lire (1000)	19.2566	19.1243
Finnish M.	3.9572	3.9300
Norwegian Kr.	3.0726	3.0515
Canadian $	14.6305	14.5300
Rand	19.2787	19.1462
Australian $	18.8938	18.7640
Yen (1000)	73.3267	72.8230

INTERBANK LONDON SPOT RATES:

U.S. $	1.8226/.31	per £
DM	2.0820/.35	per $
Swiss Fr.	1.9660/.80	per $
Belgian Fr.	32.415/.435	per $
Italian Lire	868.90/.20	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.2245/.60	per $
Yen	228.10/.35	per $
French Fr.	4.6485/.15	per $
Danish Kr.	5.7045/.60	per $
Swedish Kr.	4.6450/.90	per $
Norwegian Kr.	5.4435/.75	per $

Gold Price: $169.00/9.50

FORWARD RATES:

	1 mon.	3 mon.	6 mon.
£ $	1.8168/.181	1.8106/.121	[illegible]
DM $	2.0742/.767	2.0604/.[illegible]	[illegible]
Sw Fr $	1.9530/.380	[illegible]	[illegible]

New electronics plant in Tiberias

TIBERIAS. — A factory for electronic parts and components for sophisticated communications equipment opened here recently. Micro-Electronics was founded by Ken Crowell, an American industrialist, who has come with his family to settle. The plant's output will be sold to its American parent company and to local firms.

The municipality has assisted the company's foreign workers in finding lodgings and placing their children in schools. Micro-Electronics expects to diversify its product line and eventually employ 120 workers.

Borg beats Connors for $100,000 net prize

TOKYO (AP). — Bjorn Borg served ferociously on key points and blasted some surprise shots as he mastered Jimmy Connors 6-1, 6-2 in a $100,000 tennis final yesterday.

Manuel Orantes played some fine touch and placement shots to beat Guillermo Vilas 3-6, 7-6, 6-4 for third place in the four-man invitational tournament.

American drugstore v. pharmacy

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The spectre of an American-type "drugstore — which sells sandwiches, ice cream sodas, banana splits, cigarettes, tennis rackets, hair dryers and automobile accessories — with the actual drug department relegated to a corner is hovering over the country's 550 licensed pharmacists working in 350 drug stores.

The prospect took an added reality recently when Eli Holtzman, 30, opened his "Super-Pharm" in Naveh Amirim, on the outskirts of Herzliya. Not only is it with 270 sq.m. the largest drug store in the country, but only 75 sq.m. are partitioned off as a pharmacy proper. The rest is a self-service mini-supermarket (note the juxtapostion of mini and super) selling a wide variety of goods, from pacifiers for babies through toilet goods and health foods. So far, the country's druggists have nothing to complain about, for most of them sell the same type of goods. But the emphasis has changed.

As Armand Bercu, deputy chairman of the Druggists Association says: "In the majority of our pharmacies drugs account for 85 per cent of our business. The rest is only a sideline. We are afraid that the sideline of the Super-Pharm will become the wedge to turn our pharmacy into an American-type drugstore."

"Not so," says Holtzman, who studied pharmacy in Chicago but later worked in a drugstore in Petah Tikva. "If anything, I'm against the American-type drugstore which sells things other than drugs and allied items. But the American pharmacy has one great advantage over the Israeli. There, the pharmacists deal only with drugs as I do; the rest of the store is run by clerks. This is what I'm trying to establish here. Today, the Israeli pharmacists spend a lot of time selling soap, combs, deodorants, and so on."

Question: "Isn't your store patterned after the 250-strong 'Drug Mart' chain in Canada, established by Murray Koffler, who thought of setting up a similar chain here?"

Answer: "No. I did consult with Koffler, but he also is against the American-type store. He told me that there was a definite retreat from that type to drug store now."

Holtzman adds that he is the owner of Super-Pharm, since "Koffler doesn't believe in hiring managers who don't want to build up the business." He notes that he does not know if Koffler has any other plans to help establish giant drug stores in Israel.

The country's pharmacists are against the Super-Pharm for another reason. Koffler, who has established a reputation here for philanthropy, evidently bypassed the civil servants in the Health Ministry charged with supervising the pharmacy business, who voiced their objections to the Super-Pharm. Instead, he received consent at the ministerial level.

Still another complaint against the Super-Pharm: it advertised, not only in the form of ads, but by granting "interviews" to the press. "This is against the ethics of the profession; pharmacists do not advertise. If I have to, I will see that regulations are drawn up to make advertising in any form illegal," says Avraham Turnau, chief pharmacist for the Tel Aviv region in the Ministry of Health. "I've already rapped Holtzman's knuckles in this matter."

Holtzman remained silent when asked what Turnau told him.

Since the price of drugs here is fixed by law, the Super-Pharm cannot undercut anyone else, although it can sell its "other items" at lower prices.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

The Israeli Institute of Certified Public Accountants, whose membership is over 2,000, has just announced that "Accountant's future shock" will be the main theme of the Third Jerusalem Conference on Accountancy, which will take place on November 27.

Yitzhak Mann, president of the conference, and Morris Kanne, chairman of the professional committee, said the main topic to be discussed will be: The expanding borders of accounting — are we trying to measure the immeasurable?

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Maskit in the first quarter of 1978 increased its sales by some 40 per cent over the same period last year. The sharp rise is attributed to a broadening of product lines as well as the inclusion of totally new products, such as set diamonds. Sales have been especially strong in Tel Aviv and Eilat.

Maskit has commissioned a number of jewelry designers to produce exclusively for Maskit. The designs will be exhibited in special gold and diamond rooms in the company's stores.

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The Nativ pension fund of the employees of Histadrut concerns is currently celebrating its 20th anniversary. In 1977 Nativ's balance sheet reached the IL2.26b. mark, in contrast to IL1.5b. in 1976, an increase of 52.5 per cent. The fund has some 22,000 members and last year paid out IL132m. to 4,800 pensioners. The fund claims that its management expenses of 3.6 per cent of income are the lowest in the field.

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The management of Discount Bank has announced its decision to purchase and install the Burroughs 6800 and 7800 computer models which are the most modern of their kind. The plans call for the computers to operate on a basis whereby all activities are instantly recorded and updated. To accommodate the new equipment the bank plans to open a new computer centre. Eventually the bank will install terminals at all branches to provide information on a read-out basis.

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Data Automation Ltd. recently completed a IL3m. investment programme which increases the memory of its computers by a 100 per cent. It also unveiled its new system of accountancy, entitled "data bill," which prints out invoices. The company claims that the new system achieves savings of 20-30 per cent over previous systems.

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The "Target" is the name of a new advertising company specializing in public relations, marketing consultancy and the preparation of film and television shorts. "Target" is the result of a partnership between the Arieli advertising company and Martin Fenton. Since coming here from England, Fenton has been prominent in the advertising field. Arieli's involvement in the new firm is strictly financial, since it will not participate in business planning or every-day decision making.

Export profits slightly down

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Export profitability will decline by 2.3 per cent in the second quarter of 1978, while industrial export profitability will decline by 0.8 per cent, a survey by the foreign currency department of the Treasury shows.

Meanwhile it was found that export profitability did not change in the first quarter of this year, although an interministerial committee had forecast that it would decline by three per cent.

The survey, which was sent to the Director General of the Treasury, Amiran Sivan, forecasts that export profitability in the second quarter of 1978 will be 2.4 per cent higher than the average profitability in 1977.

The cost-of-living allowance and wage increments are among the main reasons for the drop in export profitability. Labour costs per product unit have increased by 36 per cent during the first six months of the year. Other factors which contributed to the rise of export costs are financing.

Two sugar refineries may close down

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut wants the Government to save the sugar refineries at Kiryat Gat and Afula from closing down. Histadrut trades union head Israel Kessar spelled out this position to a deputation of workers from these plants, who expressed fear for their jobs in the two immigrant towns where few alternative sources of employment exist.

Patt wants control of urban lands so he can provide housing solutions

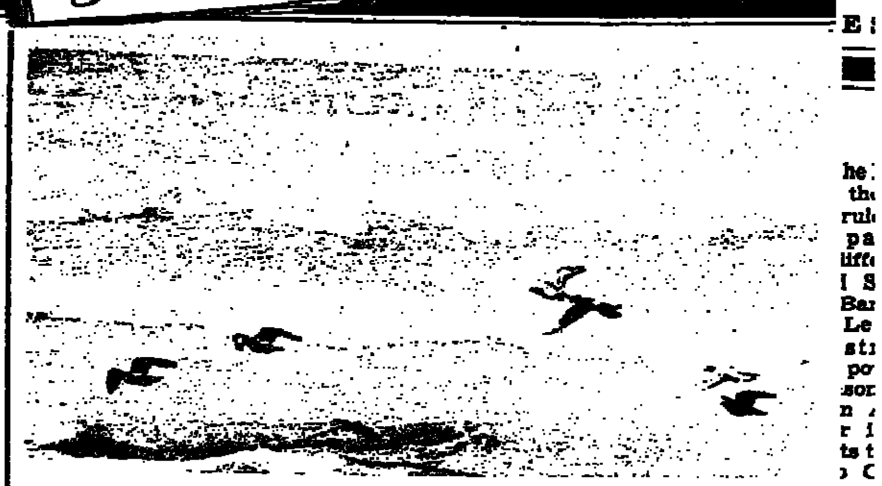
Post Economic Correspondent

Construction and Housing Minister Gideon Patt met on Pessah eve with Prime Minister Begin and reported to him that after ten months under his direction his ministry had provided some 9,500 housing solutions for people in distressed neighbourhoods.

Among those helped were some 2,900 families with seven members or more. There was also a similar number of smaller families, including 16 per cent of elderly people, who lived in temporary housing including asbestos huts, shacks and condemned buildings.

According to reliable sources, Minister Patt asked the Prime Minister for a final ruling on the problem of jurisdiction over urban state lands, now administered by the Lands Authority, which is part of the Agriculture Ministry. Patt told Begin that if he wants the drive for a solution of the housing problem of the 45,000 families in distressed neighbourhoods to go on, jurisdiction over the urban state lands must be transferred to the Ministry of Construction and Housing.

It was learned that the Prime Minister, after his return from the U.S., will consult with the ministers concerned — the Minister of Housing and Construction, the Finance Minister and the Minister of Agriculture. It is hoped that the long-standing dispute over jurisdiction will then be finally resolved.



Canada planning world's largest tidal power scheme

OTTAWA. — The world's first commercial tidal power station could be generating electricity in five years if a scheme to harness the largest known reserve of this form of energy gets the expected go-ahead.

The Canadian Government is deciding whether to go ahead with a huge energy scheme to harness the world's largest reserve of tidal power, in the Fundy Bay area of Nova Scotia on Canada's Atlantic seaboard.

A positive decision seems more likely after a recent announcement by the country's Energy Minister, Alistair Gillespie, that he is planning to spend a massive $55,000m. over the next decade on developing Canada's energy resources, including tidal power.

The Fundy Bay scheme would be by far the largest of its kind in the world and would represent a revolution in energy technology. So far only France and the USSR have tidal power stations in operation, both of which are experimental.

The output from the Canadian tidal power station would be 4,000 times greater than from the Russian one at Murmansk.

The Bay of Fundy is formed by a large breach in the land, separating Nova Scotia from New Brunswick. The Atlantic Ocean sweeps into the Gulf of Maine and around the southern tip of Nova Scotia almost 160km. up the Bay of Fundy, creating a powerful high tide of 10.8 metres at the top of the bay.

Plans for the Fundy Bay tidal power project would involve constructing either one single dam eight kilometres long across the bay or two smaller dams further up the bay, where it divides into two sections.

The power output would be as high as 4,000 megawatts, comparing favourably with a conventional power station burning fossil fuel. Each megawatt of power generated would represent an investment of one million dollars. The estimate for the eight-kilometre dam is $4,000m. and for the two smaller dams, each producing 1,000 megawatts, $2,000m. each.

The advantages of eternally-renewable energy supplies are obvious and have been so ever since 1944, when the first serious study of harnessing tidal power in Canada was carried out.

The 1973 oil crisis served as a reminder of those advantages and also increased the cost of fossil fuel to a point where the price of tidal power became competitive with conventional electricity costs.

Tidal power does, however, pose many problems. There are fears that the soft mud bottom of the bay might slowly silt up the turbines, gradually reducing output over the years.

Nevertheless, the engineers are ready to start work, and the world's first commercial tidal power station could be generating power in five years.

Treasury may win or lose up to IL1b., depending on court decision

The Government will appeal a Tel Aviv District Court decision freeing the Industrial Development Bank from payment of taxes on linkage for obligatory Government bonds, even though State Revenue Commissioner Moshe Neudorfer promised that the Treasury would not appeal the court decision.

The decision that the Government could appeal came from State Attorney Aharon Barak, who ruled that Neudorfer had made the promise without consulting Dov Niger, legal adviser to the Treasury. Niger and Income Tax Commissioner Eliezer Shiloni had demanded the appeal, the consequences of which could cost the State IL800m. to IL1,000m.

The Industrial Development Bank claimed that the State could not force it to acquire bonds and then levy taxes on these same bonds. The case could have widespread repercussions regarding all mandatory Government bonds, purchased by banks and other economic bodies.

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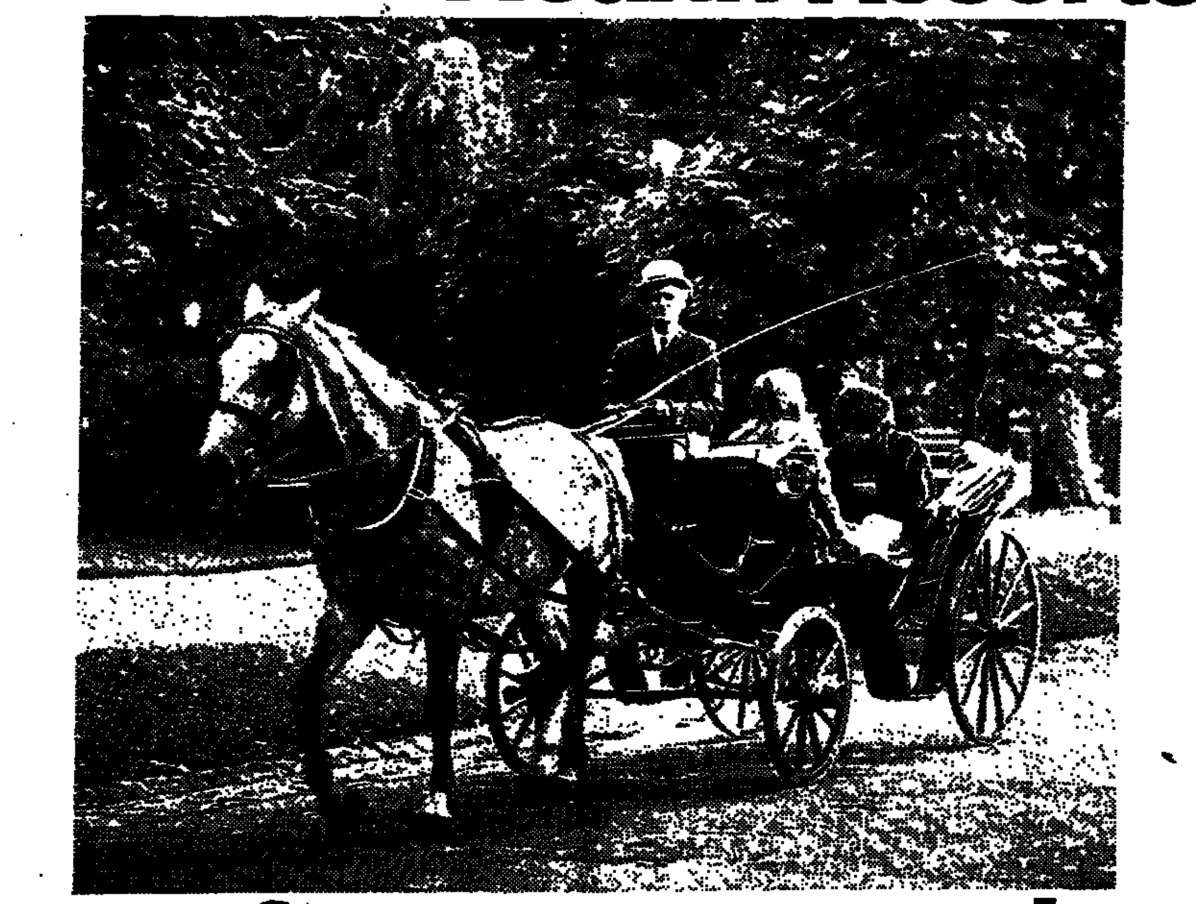

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On wobbly wings

EL AL planes — or at least three out of the fleet of 15 — were in the air again yesterday after a 20-day shutdown which was the costliest in the country's history.

It is estimated that a good number of days will pass until all of El Al's planes have enough passengers to keep them flying. Were the El Al clientele here and abroad less loyal, and sensitive only to the way the airline manhandles its passengers' time and nerves, it would take still longer for the airline to recover.

All in all the present cost of the shutdown is estimated at IL100 million and more.

When the airline's management shut down the services, in response to a strike — which itself was triggered by a management action — Transport Minister Meir Amit and El Al's new Managing Director Mordechai Hod explained that now the firm's house would finally have to be set in order. They wanted two key principles established as a condition for resuming operations: that management and not the company's unions run the airline and that the salaries of flight crews should be fixed in pounds and not foreign currency.

Together with company Chairman Mordechai Ben-Ari, and with apparent backing from Minister of Finance Simha Ehrlich, they sounded as if their aim was to bring the unions to their knees.

Perhaps in the case of El Al a good argument could be made for such a strategy. Certainly the recurrent strikes and slowdowns which play havoc with the airline's ability to provide reliable service would support such a view.

On the other hand, there is little doubt that when an organization like El Al displays such severe symptoms of malaise, management cannot be absolved.

But in the present shutdown, management, despite the initial statements, did not in fact muster the courage to make this the shutdown to end all shutdowns. Rather they floundered in their negotiating stance, and then started secret talks with the pilots, which made it appear as if the only reason for the costly shutdown was to browbeat the pilots.

By last week, rather than seeking fundamental reform, the management was looking for a way to climb down. Perhaps the Transport Minister and Hod might have been prepared to carry the fight further. But this was no longer the dominant management view.

As a result, with Mr. Ehrlich's encouragement, the shutdown was ended without management's achieving the two conditions which it had earlier set for itself — putting the unions in their place and rationalizing the pay of flight crews.

No one therefore has come out the winner from the this badly conceived action. Management's bark has again been proven worse than its bite; the firm's many works committees will probably continue to pursue their nihilist course, and El Al's image will continue to decline to match the quality of its service, rather than the reverse.

THE ONLY GAME IN TOWN?

Getting public services to serve the public properly may best be arranged by the private option, writes MELVIN MOGULOF.

IN SAN FRANCISCO, the garbage men are called scavengers. Apart from their exotic name, they work for private companies and are rather well paid by American standards. In Israel, their salaries would be a notch above those of bank-managers.

The point is not to make invidious comparisons between bank-managers and garbage men, but rather to underline that services which are public in one situation can be organized privately.

In fact, with the growing disrepair of certain public services, there has been an increasing interest in the U.S. in the "privatizing" of services currently in the public's ownership.

The concept of public service alternatives is not foreign to Israel. Our broad dissatisfaction with many public or quasi-public services and the rapid growth of a middle class with disposable income, continues to fuel the creation of new service options.

For example, the growth of private medical practice abetted by medical insurance programmes allowing higher rates of reimbursement is an excellent indication of the move to more private service options. And this is taking place in a country where for years almost all medical service has had a public or a quasi-public character.

The middle class like the benefits of private medical practice (ability to make appointments, selection of physician, and the perception that the physician is interested in the patient) and many are willing to pay the higher costs.

The physicians are equally attracted by the benefits of private practice, mainly higher fees. Many readers will know at least one physician who is on a sick-fund panel but is available only to new patients having private insurance coverage.

DISSATISFACTION with the country's bus service is at least as widespread as that with sick-funds. The continuing rise in automobile ownership despite current petrol prices is clear evidence of the desire to leave Egged waiting for us for a change.

The development of alternatives to public services has severe consequences for public policy. The users of private service options are almost always people of higher economic status. Of great concern is that the withdrawal of the middle class from the use of public services contributes to their becoming poor services for poor people. Legislators and some of the rest of us who help to make policy are themselves of the middle class, and thus our interest is diminished in the reform of these unsatisfactory services.

In Israel, there is much unhappiness with the state of school systems, and this is likely to grow if integration is aggressively pursued. If residential patterns do not permit Israel's middle class to deal with their perceived educational problems through homogeneous schools, a growing private school option is predictable. Currently, a number of our residential high schools (including yeshivot) perform this alternate function for some middle class children.

Generally, with regard to the mail and telephone services, the concept of a service alternative, while the *basic service is left in place,* is not available. Instead, what can be sought is large scale policy change via "privatization" — that is, removal of the public sector from service giving and turning the field of service over to a private firm. Examples exist in other countries of bus service, telephone, garbage collection and other areas often thought to be the special function of government.

IN ISRAEL, for historical reasons, the private alternative grew fastest with regard to library services. We became a nation of book-buyers because it was so hard to secure one on loan. And now it may be that our flourishing book shops hamper the development of a good public library service.

Perhaps the welfare service poses the greatest dilemmas in the public service because the options are so dimly seen and the problems of the basic service are so apparent. One private option would be for those in need to beg — but we are offended by this kind of free enterprise. At the same time, we were appalled in this country when the welfare workers were being assaulted by clients. Assault is one brutal way of dealing with an insensitive monopoly supplier. Such assault is much more acceptable when we bang a telephone box which refuses to return our tokens.

Where does this array of experience take us with regard to the development of private options for public services in Israel?

In the case of certain services which seem to lend themselves to a single supplier, we will need to consider "privatization" if we cannot get our public service to perform with more competence and kindness. But even if we privatize a total service, we will still be left with a company that is "the only game in town," such as telephones.

Strong regulatory action and powerful citizen boards of overseers are two ameliorating devices for monopoly suppliers of services which forget at whose pleasure they serve.

In other service areas where alternatives are feasible, they ought to be encouraged. Inherent in the attractions of the option (whether the mobility of the private car or the availability of the latest books through purchase) is the continuing stimulus for modifying the basic public service. Bus routes *can* be more flexible and libraries *can* update their shelves. What the middle class is willing to pay for can become the target for the way in which our basic public services need to be developed in the future.

AND it is often not a question of money in such service development but rather the radically simple idea that the service exists for the public and not for the comfort of those rendering the services.

The development of private options for service, whether in education or in garbage collection, presents a constant opportunity for service improvement. The trick is to ensure that such improvements enter into our basic service systems rather than becoming contributors to their further deterioration.

But there are no easy panaceas. Government regulation of a single service supplier can create the illusion of effective control, while in fact, the supplier and the government monitoring agent work very closely together at the expense of the public.

In other cases, competitive services do provide the public with choice, but the results are not always salutary. Our wildly competitive banking scene seems to produce a uniform standard of poor service. But on closer inspection, there are differences — some banks do vie for the public's custom, and there are emerging differences in the structure of banking services. It is these differences, as they favour the public, that we must encourage in all areas of our life.

Service competition and "privatization" are useful options in a continuing attempt to arm the citizen against the lack of competence and kindness from many of our public service suppliers.

The author is a social welfare planner at one of Israel's public agencies.

READERS' LETTERS

SECURE PEACE — NOW

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In Meir Merhav's latest contribution to your paper ("Secure peace — now" April 14), he states that "time is working against Israel, not for it."

If this is so, and if our enemies know it, then there is no chance for peace, now or ever. Why should our enemies bother to negotiate with us, if all they have to do is to sit back on their growing hoard of petro-dollars and watch Israel wither away?

Or does Mr. Meir Merhav think that our dear neighbours do not share his opinion about the future? That they are silly enough to believe their own propaganda? In this case, he does the cause of peace a signal disservice.

V.N. MALINOV

Haifa.

Sir, — Meir Merhav makes no bones about expressing his biased attitude in the face of the two opposing movements, "Peace Now" and "Secure Peace." This is evident when he contends that we've seen it all before.

There is a fundamental difference between Motti Ashkenazi's one-man protest and a carefully organized collective letter signed by 300 reserve officers stressing their military ranks, and staging a mass meeting in Tel Aviv. He terms the slogan "Secure Peace" demagoguery, but does not apply this epithet to the "Peace Now" slogan. He speaks of "frenzied efforts" to organize a counter-demonstration (could this characteristic not also apply to the first demonstration?) and maintains that the massive response to the "Secure Peace" petition is no expression of a silent majority but of a screaming minority. Has the author conducted an opinion poll to ascertain the real proportions of the two rival movements?

But let us consider the substance of the auther's contentions. He claims that secure peace can be obtained now. Well, so much the better. I am not aware of the fact that the signatories of the "Secure Peace" petitions demand a postponement of the peace efforts or the waging of a few more wars. What matters is not the timing of the conclusion of a peace treaty; but the conditions under which peace can be achieved. Giving up the West Bank means inviting another war, not avoiding it. The strategic importance of the West Bank is not a mere "security slogan." So it is in the interest of both movements that the government should stand firm.

DR. EZRA MENTCHER

Haifa.

Sir, — I wish to call the attention of Meir Merhav to the poll results published in your issue of April 16. The figures indicate that "72 per cent supported the way the government has been conducting peace negotiations." Therefore, I do not belong to "the screaming minority," as I am not screaming, nor do I belong to the minority.

HELENA GAFNI

Jerusalem.

LEBANESE ACTION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Israel's policy in South Lebanon is an example of how to do things wrong. Israel has made almost every possible mistake there. We have completely lost the sympathy of world public opinion. The peace negotiations have been badly damaged. The population in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip has had another opportunity to identify with the PLO. IDF soldiers are being killed. And we have gained no political or military advantages.

ZEVY VEITSMAN

Ramat Gan.

JEWISH STATES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Manfred Lehmann is to be congratulated on a well written, most interesting article on the "Joden Savanne" in Surinam. However, I would like to point out that the Joden Savanne was not the first Jewish state since the destruction of the Temple.

According to Daniel M. Friedenberg in his "Jewish Minters and Medalists," four Jewish kingdoms existed between the end of the Bar Kokhba Revolt and the reestablishment of the state of Israel. These are as follows: The Khazars, which existed for over 200 years in what is now southern Russia between the 7th and 10th century; the Falasha centre in Northern Ethiopia, which had a distinct historic existence for some thousand years up to the 17th century; the Himyara, an ephemeral Jewish monarchy in Western Yemen during the first half of the 6th century; and Mahoza (Machuza), a brief independent Jewish kingdom in Babylon between 513-520 C.E. led by Mar Zutra II, son of the Exilarch.

To these must be added the other Jewish banana republic, namely the Jewish Tierra del Fuego in Argentina, which admittedly came into existence after the Joden Savanne. Tierra del Fuego was set up by Julius Popper, a Jewish Romanian adventurer in the 1880s. Disbanded in 1893, this state has the distinction of actually having issued gold coins as well as stamps — the first gold coins and stamps issued by a Jew before the emergence of the state of Israel.

It also would have been most interesting if Mr. Lehmann had included details of the end of the Joden Savanne. One can only wonder if this Jewish state ended in the same tragic way the ones described by Friedenberg did — namely through invasion, dispersion of its inhabitants, and in some cases suicide of their leaders.

Dr. A DAVID COHEN

Beersheba.

EDUCATION IS AN OBSTACLE COURSE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The Israeli educational system should be judged by its results and compared with other educational systems abroad which have dealt with similar problems. An interesting comparison is with American education in the period before World War II. There was free and compulsory education through secondary school for a population of new immigrants from Eastern Europe and the Mediterranean, and the high school graduates went into military service for several years before being able to settle down to a career. This period in America is much closer to the Israel of today than is today's America, where education problems have been distorted by the unpopular Viet Nam War and the black problem.

The American education of this generation of new immigrants was remarkably successful. In one generation, the children of uneducated and illiterate parents "made it" and became first-class citizens, active in all walks of life.

Israeli education has not brought the Oriental Jews up to the general level in one generation. Although many Israelis claim that Israeli educational standards are much higher than American standards, the product does not show this at all.

The educational system can either carry the children of new immigrants into the mainstream, or create a caste system in which the future of one generation follows the past of the previous generation. The key to equal education for all is to begin by giving all students everything they need to learn in the school without help from the home. This was the American system in the 1920's and 1930's, with long school days and no homework in the first six grades of elementary school. Israeli education which sends children home to their parents with homework already in first grade is creating a caste system. By the time the children reach high school, it is already too late, and no reforms at the secondary level can solve the problem.

Israeli education is an obstacle course which selects a privileged caste and weeds out those who cannot make it.

HARRY J. LIPKIN
Professor of Physics

Rehovot

JULIUS MARGOLINSKY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The death in Copenhagen on February 7 of Julius Margolinsky at the age of 83 is a great loss both to Denmark's Jewish Community and to the Danish people in general. He was born to a family long settled in Scandinavia and trained as a doctor, but as a young man, decided on a literary career. He eventually became a fluent scholar in Hebrew, as well as in Danish, and was an ardent Zionist for half a century.

W. N. MARGOLIS

London.

POSTSCRIPTS

MOTTA GUR got one of the most unusual and original send-offs of any chief of staff when he stepped down from the post last week. U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis hosted a dinner for Motta and his friends at the ambassadorial residence in Herzliya, and treated everyone to a poem he had written for the occasion. Not to be outdone by her husband, Sally Lewis contributed some verses of her own. Then just to top things off, the Lewises presented Gur with a huge stuffed dog named Azzit, after Gur's famous paratrooping pup. Everyone in attendance had signed a card attached to the pooch's collar, wishing Gur well on the occasion of his bow-wowing out of office.

A.R.

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AT A DMC Council meeting in Tel Aviv recently, faction chairman Amnon Rubinstein conceded his party had "a very serious problem in getting members to attend plenary debates." Deputy Premier Yadin added that his faction should also be ashamed of its poor participation in Knesset committee debates. Yadin then suggested that statistics on DMC attendance at Knesset proceedings be recorded in the party's monthly reports. All of which prompted MK Boaz Nahir to remark: "And if someone's absent too many times, maybe we should make him come with his parents."

J.B.

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FREDDY Downing was in this country in 1939 serving with the RAF. He fell in love with a young lady named Ruth Ruben who lived at 14 Rehov Yehuda, Jerusalem, and he wanted to marry her. But just before he could do this, so Freddy tells us, the RAF posted him elsewhere — and he never got a chance to explain his sudden disappearance to Ruth.

Well, Freddy's apparently been demobbed, for he's just written to us, hoping that some reader can locate Miss (he hopes) Ruben and put her in touch with him at 6 Regent Street, Cradley Heath, Warley, West Midlands, England.

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THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT? Britons watched all the gory details as surgeons at London's Whitechapel Hospital fitted an arthritis-crippled Irishman with an artificial hip in Britain's first televised hospital operation, AP reports.

They saw an edited version recently of the three-hour operation on the British Broadcasting Corporation's "Tonight" programme. A live transmission was earlier seen on a closed-circuit link by 150 surgeons attending an international orthopaedic congress in a Berne, Switzerland, hotel.

The doctors frequently interrupted the London surgeon, Michael Freeman, to ask him questions during the operation.

Freeman gave a running commentary as millions of viewers watched close-ups of him sawing off the top of the patient's exposed hip bone and fixing a metal surface that will prevent pain.

The operation was televised because Freeman is said to have revolutionized standard hip replacement procedure by resurfacing the thighbone with metal rather than completely removing it to fit artificial bones.

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